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PLAIN HINT TO JAPAN

Loans To China Mild Form Of Economic Pressure

FURTHER MEASURES UNLESS OPEN DOOR IS RESTORED

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY.

FOREIGN BUSINESS CIRCLES ARE SCEPTICAL ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN LOANS TO CHINA OFFERING MATERIAL IMPROVEMENT OF CHINA'S MILITARY SITUATION.

Nevertheless, there is a strong feeling in such circles that granting of the British and American loans should be regarded as a hint to Japan that unless the open door is restored, further economic measures against Japan may be adopted.

In view of this belief, satisfaction is generally expressed.

Chinese Government bonds to-day reacted strongly to the conclusion of the American loan and the news of the impending British loan. — *Reuter*.

BOYCOTT JAPAN PARADES CHECKMATED

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

THE PROPOSED "BOYCOTT JAPAN" PARADES WHICH WERE TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN MANCHESTER TO-DAY ARE NOT TAKING PLACE AS ARRANGED, STATES THE "MANCHESTER GUARDIAN," THOUGH THEY ARE BEING HELD IN LIMITED FORM AND LEAFLETS ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED.

It is stated that the routes originally suggested by the organisers were rejected by the Chief Constable as unsuitable. The organiser said he took care to plan the routes to avoid times and places which the Assistant Chief Constable asked him to do. The organiser was surprised at the Chief Constable's prohibition. — *Reuter*.

ANTHONY EDEN STIMULATED

New York, Yesterday.

Mr. Anthony Eden left New York last night on board the "Queen Mary" for England.

Yesterday he lunched with Mr. Al Smith, former Governor of New York, and later saw Governor Lehman of New York State.

Mr. Eden said he had been greatly stimulated by what he had seen and learned during his visit to the United States. — *Reuter*.

FRANCE TO BUILD PLANES IN INDO-CHINA

Paris, Yesterday.

The French Minister for Colonies, M. Mandel, has ordered construction of an airplane factory in French Indo-China, the weekly "Aux Eclaireurs" learns.

The factory is to have an annual production of 150 machines and 400 motors, and construction of the plant is to be completed within a year. — *Trans-Ocean*.

PRESSURE ON JAPAN

The Shanghai newspaper states that the separate loans, will economically aid China to carry on resistance to Japan, and will exert pressure on Japan.

In the face of repeated Japanese assurances in respect of third-party interests, the paper says, Britain and the United States sought to avoid offending Japan.

Recent facts, however, have revealed Japan's unbridled ambitions, that all Japanese assurances to the contrary were intended to deceive the world, and that the time had come when both Britain and the United States should not for their own sake make any further compromise concessions to Japan.

FIRM ATTITUDE

Apart from the nature of the loans and the amount the journal declares the fact that the loan has been made has shown clearly that a joint Anglo-American firm attitude has been adopted in the Far East.

Japan seeks to close the open door but Britain and the United States seek to strengthen the foundation on which the open door principle is based.

Japan seeks to wipe out China's existence, but Britain and the United States are now aiding China in her national reconstruction to enable the Chinese Government to marshal all the forces she can command for resistance in order to safeguard her national existence.

Point Anglo-American action in the Far East, the paper declares, will make for early realisation of peace and order, and will clarify the situation in the Far East. — *Reuter*.

CAIRO STUDENT RIOTING

CAIRO, YESTERDAY. THREE HUNDRED STUDENTS FROM THE AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL HERE WHO ARE ON STRIKE, CAUSED DISTURBANCES ON THE SCHOOL PREMISES THIS MORNING.

Police attempted to intervene but were driven back by a fusillade of bricks.

Reinforcements of police are being sent to the school. The students demonstrated as a protest against not being provided with work after completing their studies.

Later they began to disperse slowly. — *Reuter*.

The Gallic Spirit Roused

Paris, Yesterday.

United French opposition to the Italian claims to Tunis and elsewhere is gathering momentum, judging from the newspapers.

Typical moment is provided by "Figaro," which says: "The more burning the Fascist press campaign becomes, the more solid will French unanimity become and more resolutely will France oppose the claims at all points."

"The French people don't often lose their tempers but when they do they lose them well." — *Reuter*.



Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield leading in Salvage Master (Mr. B. L. Tao up) after winning the Subs. Autumn Champions in comfortable style from Piet Hein.

CAMELS GO TO RESCUE

Darwin, Yesterday.

Food and water supplies have been dropped from the air for the four members of the crew of the stranded Vickers Wellesley bomber, down in N.W. Australia. A rescue expedition, mounted on camels, has set out across the desert and the crew are considered to be in no danger. — *Trans-Ocean*.

TRANS-POLAR AIR SERVICE NEXT YEAR

Helsinki (Finland),

Yesterday.

A report that the Soviet has decided to inaugurate a regular Moscow-New York air service, across the North Pole, in 1938, is published in the newspaper "Hufvudstads Bladet."

The reports says that three giant planes at present are being built powered with three engines of 1,000 horse-power each and capable of carrying 42 passengers and six crew.

The planes, says the paper, will be ready in May, 1939, and will make several trial flights before the regular service is begun. — *Reuter*.

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Ice Wave Sweeps Germany

Berlin, Yesterday.

A cold wave is sweeping Germany, with temperatures of 22 centigrades below freezing point in East Prussia and 12 in Berlin this morning.

The cold, brought by an icy easterly wind from Russia, is felt all the more since no snow has fallen yet. Even in the Bavarian Alps, winter sports are possible only at a height of 2,000 metres.

The port of Koenigsberg has to be kept open by icebreakers. An increase of cold is predicted by weather stations.

Temperatures of 28 centigrades below freezing point are reported from the Vilna district, and similar temperatures from other parts of Poland.

Fifteen centigrades were recorded in the inner city of Warsaw, and 18 in outer districts, giving school children a holiday as according to the general regulation, schools in Poland have to close when it is 18 centigrades below freezing point. — *Trans-Ocean*.

ANTICIPATING MR. CHAMBERLAIN

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain will be asked a number of questions in the House of Commons on Monday, in regard to British Somaliland.

One of the questions will be whether he will give an assurance that the Government will not agree to any cession of British colonial territory, particularly that of British Somaliland, or any part thereof, to Italy. — *Reuter*.

THEY'D RATHER BE DUTCH WIVES

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

Some of the 25,000 German girls working in domestic service in Holland are hurrying to marry Dutchmen, following reports that they will be recalled to the Reich.

Over 100 have handed in notices at the registrar's office in The Hague, and many others are making applications for licenses in Amsterdam and other towns. — *Reuter*.

HUGE AREAS IN KIANGSU UNDER FLOODS

Chungking, Yesterday.

Hsinhua, Taichow, Kaoyu, Paoying, Tungtai and Yenchen, districts in North Kiangsu, are submerged under the Yellow River flood waters, according to latest despatches from Hwaiyin, in North Kiangsu.

The despatches state that the flood waters, after breaching dykes near Kaiheng, poured southward to enter the Hwai River, passed Hungtsh Lake, on the Anhwei-Kiangsu border, and then entered the Paoying and Kaoyu Lakes.

The flood then headed for the Yangtze River between the Grand Canal dykes. — *Reuter*.

LAUSANNE DOCTOR SHOT DEAD

Lausanne, Yesterday.

The Chief physician of Lausanne University Clinics, Doctor Mean, was shot dead at the Cantonal Hospital by a medical student, Erni Gruenberg, 26-year-old Rumanian Jew.

Gruenberg committed suicide after the murder. He wanted to graduate and felt unfairly treated by Dr. Mean. — *Trans-Ocean*.

GERMAN STEAMER WRECKED

Bremen, Yesterday.

The 1,845-ton steamer "Roland-seck" belonging to the German Hansa Shipping Company, on the way from Hamburg to Seville, struck the Salmadina Reef at the mouth of the Guadalquivir river.

Two salvage steamers rescued the crew of the ship, which is sinking. — *Trans-Ocean*.

'Winnie' Finds Another Flaw

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Winston Churchill to-day seized upon a statement by Lord Maugham, the Lord Chancellor, concerning the power of the German Air Force, to launch another severe attack upon Mr. Chamberlain.

Lord Maugham had said in a public speech that London would suffer damage to the extent of £500,000,000 within the first fortnight of outbreak of war if Germany was involved.

Mr. Churchill points out that nothing of this kind has ever been said before by a Government spokesman. It is to be presumed, however, that Lord Maugham has access to secret information.

A CONFLICT

If so, the statement seems to conflict radically with the reassurances of the Prime Minister at the banquet given by the Foreign Press Association, when he claimed that Britain's defences are now ready, and that Britain is to-day able to meet her international obligations. — *Trans-Ocean*.

JAPANESE POUR INTO HANKOW

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Over two thousand Japanese civilians with women and children and extensive luggage, arrived at Hankow yesterday on board a Japanese river steamer, according to reports from Hankow received here. — *Trans-Ocean*.

ITALY FOLLOWS

Rome, Yesterday.

Posters are beginning to appear at numerous shopwindows in Rome, Milan and other Italian cities stating that the owners are Aryans. — *Trans-Ocean*.

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BRITAIN'S SECRET RULER

EVERY morning at precisely 9.3 a garden gate swings shut as an insignificant little man emerges from a semi-detached villa residence in Mitcham. It is Britain's secret ruler.

For two minutes he looks up and down the road, and then, with a dispatch case in one hand and the tightly-rolled umbrella and the morning newspaper in the other, he walks to the main road where he boards a tram for Westminster.

Every morning as he pays his fare, he makes the same joke to the conductor: "It's a nice morning for the solving of crossword puzzles"—before producing a

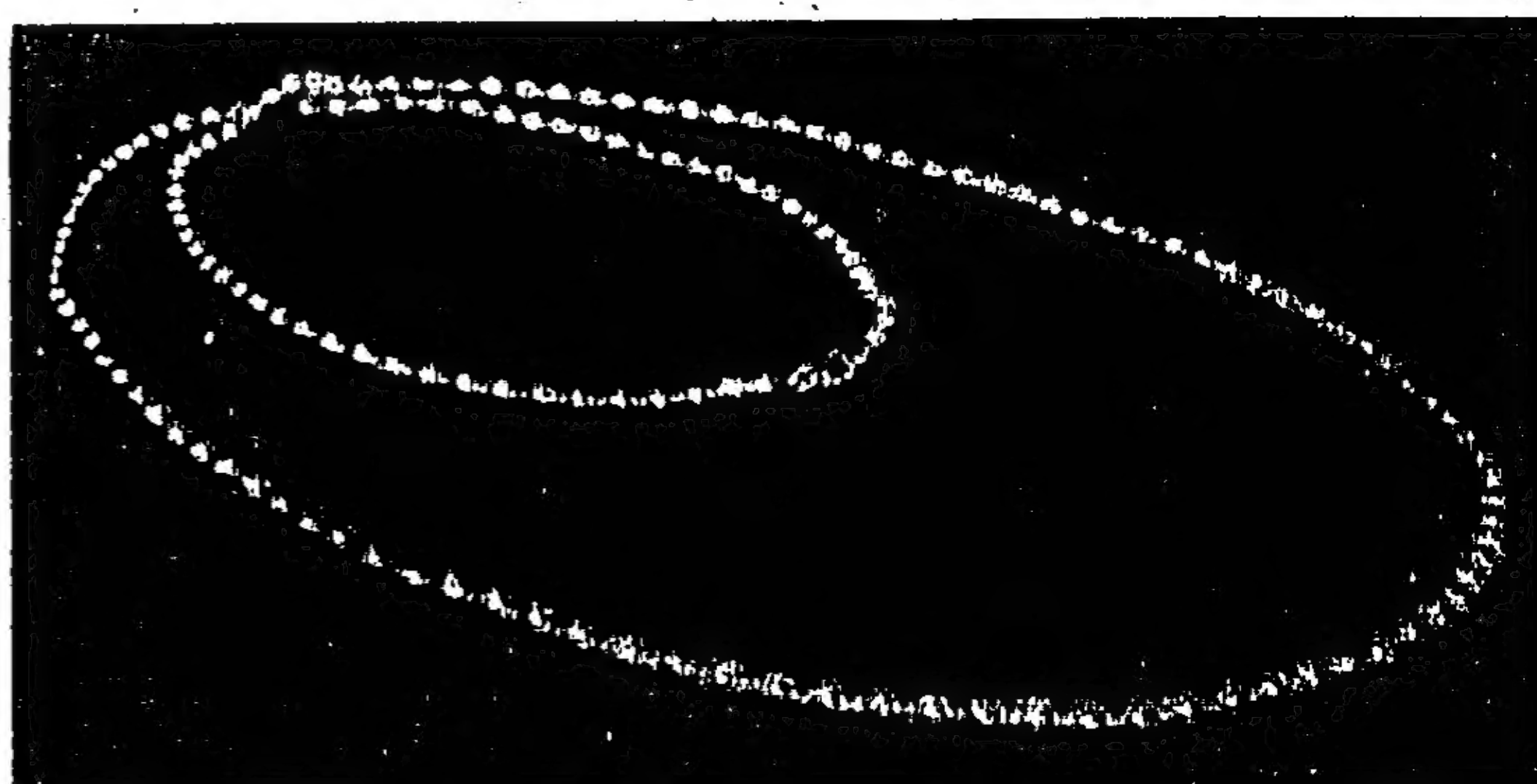


his father's, too. He scorns subterfuge.

Yet not one of his neighbours, not even Mr. Smith, who lives next door but two, and with whom he plays chess every Friday evening, knows the power he wields.

In Whitehall, too, he is something of a mystery. His daily task seems to be quite a menial one, unfitting for the most powerful man in Britain.

Yet sometimes before his door one of the exalted members of the Civil Service will pause and ask



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"THE English domestic servant is nearly as extinct as the dodo, and domestics are now being obtained from abroad."

This utterance by a Hampshire Magistrate, regarded by itself, leaves the emotions of the reader undisturbed. It merely reminds him that domestic servants rank with raw materials, musicians, and political theories as among the few classes of foreign-made imports which even the most orthodox economists accept without protest.

But when we note that the German Government has just ordered all German and Austrian girls now in service here to return to their native land, the matter takes on a more sinister aspect. What if all other foreign Governments follow suit?

The recall of these girls has already thrown many respectable English homes into chaos.

All over the country the cry of anguish goes up -- "How long, O Lord, how long do potatoes take to boil, and how the heck does one light this ruddy stove?"

* * *

The fact is that though complaints about the cook and housemaid slump keep cropping up, the English people have not yet realised its revolutionary significance.

There were plenty of warnings. I have by me an article written some years ago by a well-known Conservative propagandist. He said: "There can be no civilised upper or upper-middle class without a cheerful home, and the home is being broken up because of the disappearance of domestic servants."

What was then regarded as a temporary state of things, due to the dislocation of the war, is now seen to be a permanent feature of



ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT
THE ADMIRAL: Mussolini has come to heel, Sir. And, mark my words, without the British Navy. Mr. Chamberlain couldn't have forced him to take over the helm in a dangerous sea like the Mediterranean.

ACCUSATIONS have been made about almost every politician in Parliament that, during recent years, he has failed to adopt a consistent line, that he has repeatedly changed his tune to suit the circumstances.

But, throughout his long Parliamentary career, one man has remained staunch to his ideals, unwavering, unshaken by opposition and scorn.

so fine a record as the eleven stone six and a half Member for the Mudpool Division of Lincs, Mr. Elias Creep.

The following extracts from his speeches in momentous debates, reported by our Parliamentary Corps, clearly shows this:—

June, 1932. — Annexation of Manchuria by the Japanese: "I didn't quite catch the hon. Member's remark."

October, 1935. — Italo-Abyssinian War: "Hear, hear."

August, 1936.—Formation of the Non-Intervention Committee: "Z-z-z-z-z-z."

August, 1937. — Sino-Japanese War: "Have you seen the new barmaid in the Dive?" (This remark may not seem particularly relevant to the subject of the debate, but time will show.)

March, 1938. — Hitler in Austria: "Did he say 'Austria' or

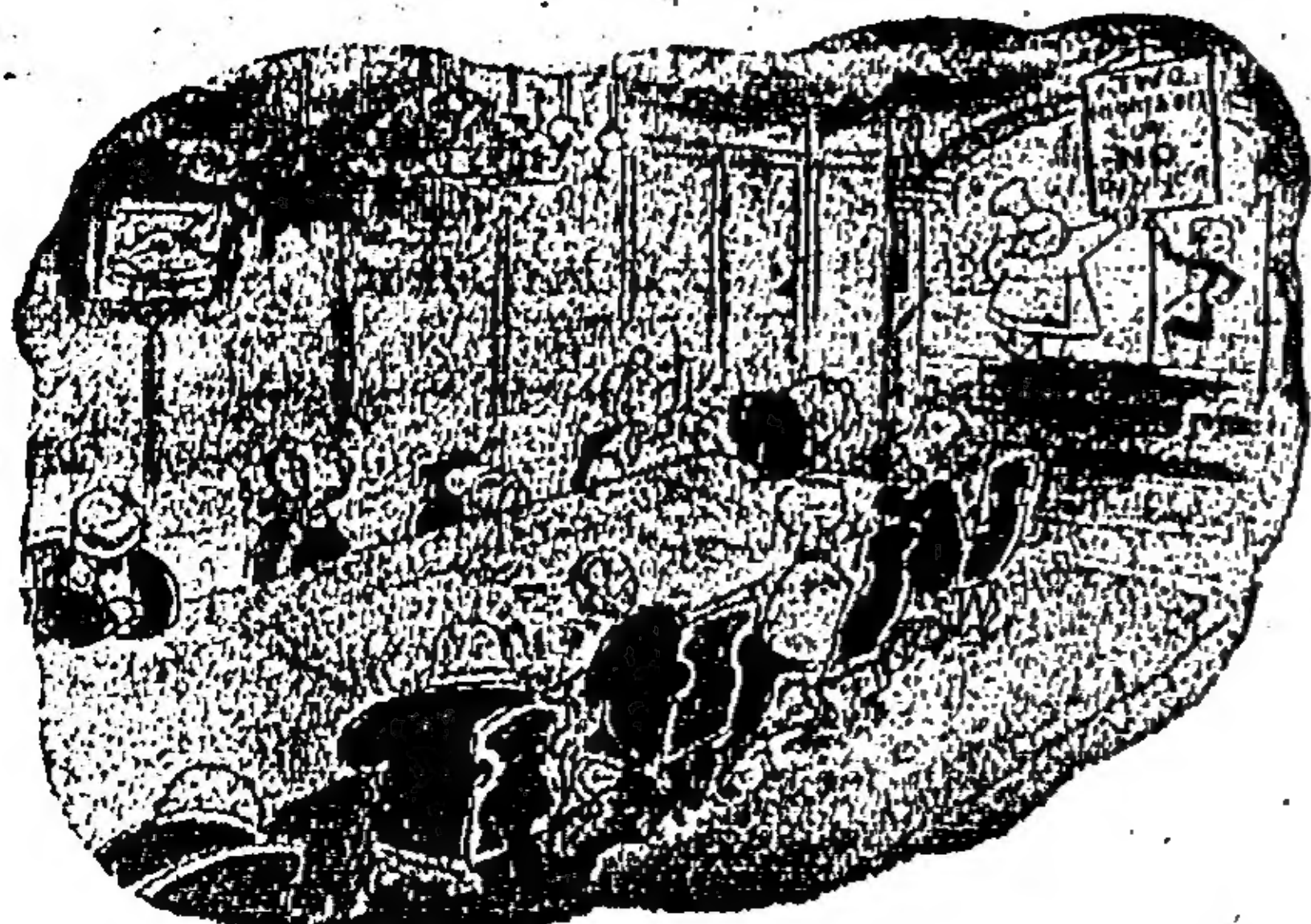
'Australia'?"
October, 1938. — The Crisis
"Gosh, I feel tired!"

* * *

"KISSED His Wife And Vanished," says a headline. The lady appears to have been somewhat of a tough baby.

MANY charges against motorists, I read, are for driving when under the influence of liquor.

In the happy old days, when the horse was the only motive power



YAFFLE warns the world of a growing danger

social life. The decivilisation of our uppers and upper-middles has gone steadily on ever since, and I dare not think of their state of depravity now.

No doubt the coarser fibre of the working-class enables them to be cheerful in their homes without being waited on. But if it is true that the culture and civilisation of our best people, as well as their cheerfulness, depends on having an army of retainers, one can only deplore the callousness of a servant class that can lightly leave them to their fate.

And now comes this "Domestic Servants' Charter." The organisation of servants on strict T. U. lines will place an unprecedented power of dictatorship into the hands of the female proletariat. : fires, and whether the maid's

For a century the English people have congratulated themselves because, instead of having a social revolution like the untidy French, they had an industrial revolution, which not only inaugurated an era of prosperity for all but, a paltry four-fifths of the nation, but established the social order on a permanent basis.

But now this very industrial revolution has itself provoked the means of upsetting the social order as completely as if we had a civil war and a guillotine. By giving the female lower orders the alternative to domestic service, it has given them a rarity value greater than that of any other class of workers.

other class of workers.
Domestic servants are now
rated as pearls of great price.
One shudders to think of the
power of the strike weapon in their
hands. When industrial workers
strike, the employers are generally
able to hold out and exist on their
financial resources. But not even
the biggest bank balance can help
you if the cook strikes just before
a dinner party.

* * *

She will wait until it is time to put the joint in the oven, and then demand a five bob rise, two more evenings off, and the best bedroom. And you will either have to concede her demands or feed your guests on tinned salmon and a bit of cold rice pudding left over from Monday.

The situation it without parallel in the history of social upheavals. have dictators objected to wear uniforms?

such restrictions were unthought of. My uncle Amos, the former lady member of our staff.

of. My uncle Amos, the farmer, was never sober after two o'clock on Wednesday, market day. But his horse knew the way home.

On one occasion a friend, seeing him arrive home thus, unharnessed the horse and reharnessed

nessed the horse and remounted it through the bars of the gate. When my uncle awoke in the small hours, he wondered how the horse could have got through a

Concluding that occult powers had been at work, he took it as a warning, and knocked off the drink until the following Wednesday.

THE opening of Spenser's tomb in the Abbey, at the request of the Baconian Society, to see if

It contained any proof that Bacon wrote Shakespeare, is reported to have been in vain.

This is not so. It provided employment, and is it not the aim

carpet. He's been there since week before last.

Don't be silly, Giles, you we haven't got a carpet.

NOTHING in Thackeray's
to the fact that one o
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handwriting having been gery. There is no reason to r
found in Dickens's tomb, there is these names as descriptive c
still no proof that the author of habits. I know a city in
Sherlock Holmes wrote "Triby." the place where the best
And I want to know who wrote ride their horses is named I
"I love Edle" on the back of my
-class coat. It has caused con- Row.

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BRITISH POLICY IN INDIAN STATES

LONDON, YESTERDAY. THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR INDIA STATED IN THE COMMONS THAT IN INDIA THE PARAMOUNT POWER WOULD NOT OBSTRUCT PROPOSALS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL ADVANCE INITIATED BY RULERS OF THE INDIAN STATES.

But His Majesty's Government had no intention of bringing any form of pressure to bear upon them to initiate constitutional changes.

It rested with the rulers themselves to decide what form of government they should adopt in the diverse conditions of the Indian states.

The obligations of the paramount power to the States extended to protecting rulers against violence and disorder, and to advising and assisting rulers in remedying legitimate grievances of their subjects as might be found to exist. — British Wireless.

RESCUE AFTER EIGHT DAYS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. The keeper of the Eddystone Lighthouse has eventually been brought ashore after several unsuccessful attempts had been made, owing to stormy weather, in the past eight days to remove the man from the lighthouse, where he had been sick. His condition is reported to be better. — Reuter.

GERMAN CAR BANDIT BEHEADED

Nuremberg, Yesterday. Within a few hours of being sentenced for highway robbery, the car bandit, Willy Haller, aged 24, was beheaded at midnight. His girl accomplice was also sentenced to death but was saved from the headman's axe at the last minute by Hitler, who commuted the sentence to life imprisonment. — Reuter.

BATTLE ROYAL OF JAPANESE COAST

Tokyo, Yesterday. A furious free fight with fists developed among a crowd of 300 Japanese fishermen on the high seas off the coast of Himiyoama Prefecture, in the Sea of Japan, on Thursday morning, it has just been revealed.

Over thirty fishermen are reported to have been injured in the rough and tumble, which lasted fully three hours.

It develops that the fight was caused by a protracted dispute over fishermen's "spheres of influence" in the fishing grounds.

The police are now conducting an investigation into the matter. — Reuter.

NO PRESUMPTION ESTABLISHED

Burgos, Yesterday.

The restoration to ex-King Alfonso of his civil rights has caused a profound impression in Spain.

By the decision, the ex-King will receive back his former possessions. A large portion is in Madrid, but numerous of his estates lie in territory already captured by General Franco.

Through the decision of the Nationalist Government, it is expressly emphasised in authoritative circles, no presumption is established regarding the future solution of the constitutional problem in Spain.

REFUGEE TRAINING CENTRE PLAN

A scheme for establishment of an industrial training centre for refugees is being sponsored by the H.K. Chinese Women's Club, in co-operation with the Women's Christian Temperance Union of China, Hong Kong Branch.

Estimated cost is \$10,000 a year and the scheme would be restricted to genuine refugees from war areas between the ages of 16 and 50.

Work would be compulsory, up to eight hours a day, with two hours additional attendance at night lectures.

Forty per cent. of proceeds above \$10,000 will be equally distributed among the refugees.

The first workshop has actually been opened for women workers at No. 5-7, Des Voeux Road, W. 3rd floor, but opening of a larger centre is anticipated at an early date.

Mrs. Li Fong is chairman of the executive committee and Mrs. Herman Liu is secretary.

NOTED METHODIST PASSES

London, Yesterday. The Rev. Charles Ensor Walters, Secretary of the London Methodist Mission since 1913, died to-day at the age of 66.

The Rev. Walters was always interested in the housing of the working classes. In addition to his work in London, he was Minister of the Wesley Hall in Sheffield, and was a delegate to Wesleyan conferences in Toronto and Atlanta (Georgia).

He was President of the Methodist Conference in 1936. — Reuter.

Paris, Yesterday. Paris papers discussing the restoration of civil rights to the Spanish ex-King Alfonso, speak of the possibility of restoration of the monarchy in Spain.

"Le Journal" writes: "In the gesture made by General Franco, more is to be seen than a mere desire to right a wrong. The possibility of a restoration is clearly demonstrated."

"Moreover, General Franco who, at the beginning of the civil conflict, was not favourably disposed towards resumption of the old form of monarchy, has since then made numerous declarations that seem to indicate a clear development towards restoration of a 'rejuvenated' monarchy."

DON JUAN'S CLAIMS

"Epoque" writes that Alfonso has no idea of re-ascending the throne, being of the view that it would not be possible for him to rule again, but that his youngest son, Don Juan, should be regarded as the Royal successor.

Restoration of the monarchy in Spain could hasten the end of the Spanish civil war, which has lasted since July, 1936.

It is stated in "Le Jour" that the ex-King can now return to Spain but it is, another, question whether he will do so.

Whether he does or not, however, all kinds of rumours are current about restoration of the monarchy in Spain, and it seems that the point has been reached where the discussion concerns solely the form of the future monarchy, that is to say whether Spain should be a constitutional or totalitarian monarchy. — Trans-Ocean.

VOORTREKKER CELEBRATIONS ENDED

Pretoria, Yesterday. The voortrekker celebrations, which lasted five days, ended to-day, and the wagons which had trekked thousands of miles from Capetown began the return journey this morning.

The celebrations were held in commemoration of the great trek of Boers to escape British rule in the Cape exactly 100 years ago.

Among messages received yesterday was one from King George, paying tribute to the spirit of the voortrekkers and expressing the view that the same spirit of faith and courage would carry the people of South Africa through the years lying before them. — Reuter.

BULGARIA & TURKEY

Ankara, Yesterday. The Bulgarian Premier, M. Kiosseynoff, will go next week on a state visit to Turkey.

Political circles see in this first visit of a Bulgarian Premier to Turkey an indication of Bulgaria's willingness to establish friendly relations with Turkey after this had been done previously with other powers of the Balkan entente, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Greece. — Trans-Ocean.

The outgoing Japanese Consul-General Mr. T. Nakamura, is leaving for Japan next Friday.

He will be accompanied by Mrs. Nakamura and their children. They are going to Tokyo.



If the wife insists on you minding the baby while she makes her Christmas cake to her own special recipe—this may perhaps provide a useful tip.

LOYALIST DEMONSTRATION BY PALESTINE ARABS

Jerusalem, Yesterday.

Thousands of Arabs will gather at Hebron tomorrow (Sunday) to express loyalty to the King and the British Government, together with a public expression of thanks to the British Army for ridding Palestine of the lawless element.

Fahri Bey Nashashbi, acting leader of the Arab Defence Party, who is leader of the demonstration, told Reuter:

"You will see such a manifestation of loyalty to Britain as has not been seen since the British occupation."

Arab buses and taxicabs resumed yesterday afternoon for the first time since the transport strike began on Nov. 1, following the introduction of military permit passes for drivers. It is understood that a growing number of owner drivers are applying for a permit following relaxation of terrorist pressure. — Reuter.

ARAB LEADERS REPORT

Jerusalem, Yesterday. "The feeling at present prevailing in London is favourable to the Arabs," declared the London representative of the Arabs of Palestine, Dr. Tannous, of the Arab newspaper "Alachbar" on his arrival in Beirut.

The questions to be raised at the Round Table Conference in London are:

- (1) Fulfilment of the promises made by MacMahon in 1915 to King Hussein of Hejaz,
- (2) Termination of Jewish immigration,
- (3) Foundation of a National Government,
- (4) Conclusion of a treaty with England,
- (5) Production of a proof of invalidity of the Balfour declaration.

The representatives of the Arabs to be sent to London, stated Dr. Tannous will be chosen at the forthcoming meeting of the banished Arab leaders to be held under the chairmanship of the Grand Mufti.

The Colonial Office had already assembled all documents necessary for the conference. — Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO ARMY STRENGTH

Paris, Yesterday. The effective strength of General Franco's army is estimated at one million men, according to newspaper reports. Of these, 715,000 men are under arms. In a few days, 2,000 new officers are to be given commissions in the army. — Trans-Ocean.

UNION LEADER SENT TO PRISON

Paris, Yesterday. Jules Boussingault, Communist head of the Metalworkers Union, with a membership of 20,000, was to-day sentenced to a month's imprisonment for agitation.

Boussingault ordered the metal workers to strike on Nov. 22. As he had previously received a suspended sentence of six months' imprisonment for agitation among troops while serving in the Army, he has now seven months to serve. — Reuter.

AXE ATTACK BY GANGSTERS

Ping Wu-fai, sampan-builder, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital last night suffering from an axe wound in the back, alleged to have been inflicted in Castle Peak Road at 10 o'clock last night.

According to Ping Wu-fai, he was attacked by eight men. The previous day he had met several men in a tea shop in Cheung Shanwan Road who demanded \$5 from him and pressed him to join a certain Triad Society. He refused to give the money or join the Society.

The alleged assailant has not been located but the condition of Ping, is described as favourable.

GERMAN TRAWLER SUNK

Oslo, Yesterday. The German trawler, Bahrenfeld, has sunk near Honningsvåg off the Norwegian coast following a collision with a Norwegian coastal steamer, the Alta. The crew was saved. — Trans-Ocean.

Vladimir The Tsar

"LE JOUR" LIBELLOUS?

Paris, Yesterday.

Immediately after his arrival in Paris the Grand Duke Vladimir of Russia assembled all his relatives to a family council, declares "Le Jour."

The family recognised Vladimir as "Czar of All the Russias." This meeting, according to "Le Jour," ended as follows:

The uncle of the Grand Duke wanted to give the young 21-year-old Pretender some advice, whereupon Vladimir interrupted him, saying in a firm but polite voice, "I thank you but the Czar does not receive advice," whereupon the Grand Duke saluted and left the room.

An interview with the Grand Duke Vladimir, published by "Le Matin" this morning, reports the Pretender to have said: "I was the first to be astonished when my name was connected with the Ukraine question."

"All my stays in Germany have been of a private character. I have never spoken with Adolf Hitler, nor with his political representatives."

IF ONE DAY

"If one day I should rule, it would be over all Russia, not over one of her provinces, however specifically Russian it might be. On the contrary, national pride is still alive in me, and I hold the view that it would not be worthy of me to return to Russia in the manner depicted."

"I want either everything or nothing."

A semi-official communique issued to the press from an immediate neighbour of the Grand Duke states:

"The Grand Duke Vladimir is not disposed either directly or indirectly to allow his name to be used for any political project envisaging partition of the Russian Empire. The Grand Duke would never endorse such plans." — Trans-Ocean.

LANCASHIRE'S SELF-HELP PLAN

London, Yesterday.

A "self-help scheme," by which it is proposed to reorganise Lancashire's cotton industry and to strengthen its competitive power overseas, has been launched by the joint committee of cotton trade organisations meeting at Manchester.

It is proposed to appoint a Cotton Industry Board consisting of a chairman and fourteen other members.

The chairman and two of the members must be independent and must relinquish any financial interest they may have in the industry.

The Board would review schemes submitted by the trade and submit them for approval to the Board of Trade, after being laid before Parliament, the schemes, unless rejected, would be given statutory force.

4,000 FIRMS TO APPROVE. Maximum expenditure is provided for, rising in three years from £60,000 to £160,000, to facilitate the Board's work.

A draft of the committee's scheme will be submitted to four thousand firms for approval early next week, and would be made the basis for an enabling bill which it is hoped will become law before the Budget. — Reuter.

CONDOR CREW LEAVE MANILA

Manila, Yesterday.

The crew of the German Focke-Wulf plane "Condor" which after a record flight from Berlin to Tokyo, had to make an emergency landing on the sea near Manila, sailed for home on board the s.s. "Scharnhorst" to-day, and will arrive at Genoa on January 6.

No decision has yet been made regarding shipping back of the plane. — Trans-Ocean.

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NEW YORK'S UNEXPECTED SNOWSTORM.—Driving snow soon piled high in New York when it experienced its first snowfall this year. Traffic was dislocated and the population shivered after an exceptionally good summer — for the snowstorm was sudden and unexpected. Photo shows a snow battle in Central Park. (By Air Mail).

★ REFUSAL TO TAKE SHIP AND SCRAP TO JAPAN ★

London, Yesterday.

The Chinese crew of the ship "Wyvern," in the Tyne, yesterday left the vessel, which was recently sold to the Japanese Government, when they found she was going to Japan, with a cargo of scrapiron, to be broken up.

An Indian crew was signed on but, according to the "Daily Herald," representatives of the China Campaign Committee last night approached the crew with a telegram from the India League in London appealing to them not to man the vessel. — Reuter.

REVOLT IN ECUADOR'S ARMY NIPPED IN BUD

Quito (Ecuador), Yesterday.

Mass arrests of Left Wing deputies took place following Thursday's revolt among certain sections of the army.

These demanded dissolution of the Constituent Assembly and its reconstruction.

The Government despatched loyal troops to a house where the Left Wing leaders had gathered.

ADMIRAL'S FORTNIGHT IN GAME OF DIPLOMACY

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. COMPLETING ALMOST A FORTNIGHT'S STAY IN SHANGHAI, THE BRITISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, VICE-ADMIRAL SIR PERCY NOBLE, LEFT IN HIS FLAGSHIP H.M.S. KENT TO RETURN TO HONG KONG AT DAWN THIS MORNING.

During his stay in Shanghai Vice-Admiral Noble had several meetings with the Japanese commander-in-chief, Vice-Admiral Oikawa, and other members of the Japanese High Command. These meetings resulted in settlement of the "Sandpiper" Incident (when the British gunboat was hit by Japanese bomb splinters at Changsha) and agreement for the movement of British gunboats to and from Hankow.

They were also utilized for frank discussion of the various maritime questions at issue between the British and Japanese, notably in connection with restoration of free movement on the Yangtze.

LONG DISCUSSIONS

During his visit, Admiral Noble discussed the general situation with the Embassy, consular and

Senior Arizaga Lique, former president of the Assembly, and twenty other deputies gave themselves up without resistance.

The threat of serious civil disorder now appears to have been averted.

Everything is quiet in the provinces, according to reports from the principal towns.

At a two-hour meeting of the Cabinet yesterday, attended by a deputation from the army, it was agreed that new parliamentary elections should be held in the middle of January, and that the new Parliament should meet on February 1. — Reuter.

Lady Clark Kerr's Benefit Show Triumph

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. THE SUM OF \$12,261, RAISED AT A CHARITY PERFORMANCE OF THE FILM "ALEXANDER'S RAGTIME BAND" ON DEC. 1, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG CHILDREN'S ESTABLISHMENTS IN SHANGHAI BY LADY CLARK-KERR, WIFE OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR, WHO SPONSORED THE SHOWING.

Army authorities, as well as with various leading British businessmen.

H.M.S. Kent is being replaced in the Whangpoo River by the escort vessel H.M.S. Sandwich, which is doing forty-eight hours duty in Shanghai.

H.M.S. Sandwich is leaving again on Monday, when she will be replaced by the cruiser H.M.S. Suffolk from Weihaiwei. — Reuter.

Bright Thought But Went Too Late

An attempt to collect the second prize in the Macao Jockey Club Lam Ching Cup sweep by altering the number of his ticket was alleged against a 26-year-old houseboy, Wong Kwan, at the Central Magistrate's court.

The fraud attempt was doomed to failure because when the forgery was presented on Thursday, the holder of the genuine ticket had already taken care of the matter.

The sum involved was \$3,682. The accused had apparently bought or picked up Ticket No. 06974. Quite cleverly he had altered this to Ticket No. 00974, the number of the winning second prize ticket.

If there had been any prospect of the forgery deceiving the Secretaries, it was defeated by the fact of prior presentation of the genuine ticket; Wong, therefore, was detained.

Before Mr. Edwards yesterday, he pleaded that he did not know the regulations of the Colony! Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed.

Three more wounded Chinese soldiers from over the border Lam Yau, Lam Shui-ai and Lam Chuen, are now receiving treatment at the Kowloon Hospital. They received their wounds about a fortnight ago during an action in Li Kum Ham Village, Tung Kua district.

London, Yesterday. Signs are multiplying of a hardening directive in the foreign policy of the United States, says the Washington correspondent of "The Times."

Inter alia, the announcement of the credit of U.S.\$25,000,000 to the Chinese trading group incorporated under the laws of New York State, is taken as having much significance.

It must be remembered that evidence of the nature of Japanese operations in China and Manchukuo has accumulated in such a way that a finding against Japan of injury to American trade by discrimination, with all its retaliatory implications, is almost inescapable.

In the face thereof, the intervention of the American Government, as represented by the decision to extend credit, has major importance.

Full account is taken here of the "moral support" this offers to the much harassed Chinese, despite the insistence of the State Department that the transaction represents no more than an extension of credit by another Government agency to an American business for the normal conduct of its affairs. — Reuter.

Churchill Wants Berengaria For Troops

London, Yesterday.

A question regarding the fate of the giant 50,000-ton Cunard liner "Berengaria" will, it is announced, shortly be put in the Commons by Mr. Winston Churchill.

The liner, which is now at Hull awaiting scrapping, belonged before the Great War to the Hamburg-American Company.

Attention has recently been drawn in British shipping circles to the deficiency of ships in the British merchant navy, which would make itself acutely felt in war time.

Mr. Churchill intends to call the Government's attention to this state of affairs, and will suggest that the "Berengaria" could be usefully employed in case of war as a military transport ship, since she could accommodate more than 100,000 troops and has a speed of over 20 knots. — Trans-Ocean.

ODD INCIDENT NEAR LIN TIN

A strange incident near Lin Tin Island was reported yesterday by the master of a Hong Kong-licensed fishing junk.

Kwok Shing, son of the master, was ordered to follow a Japanese destroyer and sampan. The son followed until both destroyer and sampan had disappeared from sight.

The son did not return. Before this incident, a boarding party from the destroyer compelled the master, Kwok Tim-kam, to hand over his licence. They made no attempt to damage or wreck the junk.

BAD WEATHER STOPS THE WAR

Paris, Yesterday. Bad weather conditions prevailing on all sections of the war front in Spain have necessitated abandonment for the time being of the planned new Nationalist offensive according to reports reaching here from Saragossa. — Trans-Ocean.

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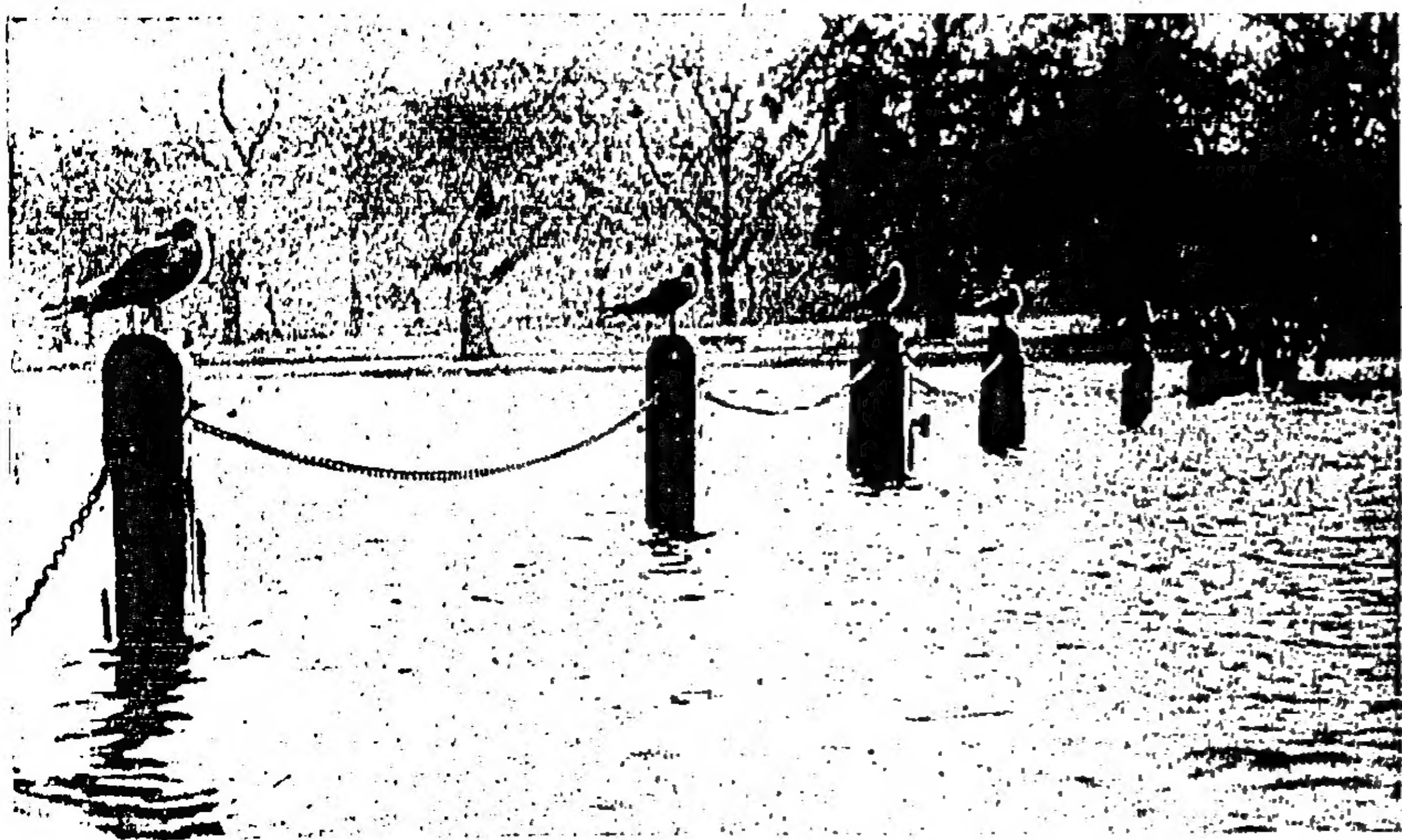
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THREAT OF STRIKE AMONG H.K. RICKSHA PULLERS

Recent Increase In Hiring Rates Rouses Discontent



A DECEMBER "FRIEZE". The sea-gulls in Hyde Park give the posts in the Serpentine a decorative effect.

ALSO BEING STUNG FOR LODGING FEES

(Special To The "Sunday Herald")

Discontent among the Colony's 1,000 odd rickshaw-pullers at increased hiring-fees may assume serious consequences unless satisfaction is forthcoming from the different firms controlling the hiring of the vehicles.

The pullers, it is learned, see no justification for the increased hiring fee of 80 cents per day and are demanding a reduction with a strike threat, pointing out that their earning power has not increased.

They are also asking for their lodging fees of \$3.00 to be reduced to the rate which ruled two months ago, when they were charged only \$1.40 per individual per month.

They have suggested that a reasonable daily hiring rate would be between 60 and 65 cents, but this has not been accepted.

There are 16 rickshaw owning firms on the Island and five on the mainland, controlling over 500 rickshaws.

Rickshaws are, as a rule, hired out by two pullers, and in some cases by three, who work in shifts of twelve or eight hours.

A puller is required to deposit a sum of \$10 with the owners of the rickshaw before it is hired to him.

NO NEWS YET

Although more than a month has passed since the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada's suggestion at the Legislative Council Meeting on November 10 that a thorough inquiry be held into alleged corruption in the Police Force, it cannot be ascertained whether or not Government has taken any steps to institute investigations.

The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police, when approached yesterday replied through Sub-Inspector W. H. Nollath: "I have nothing to add to what was said at the Legislative meeting."

Suffering from a fractured skull, after fall from a height in the Talkoo Chinese quarters, Wong Fun was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.



Noted Chinese Actress Returning To Stage After 15 Years

A noted Chinese actress who has not been on the stage for 15 years is to appear once more next week for the benefit of Hong Kong's refugees.

SHE is Miss Lam Yee-mui, in private life Mrs. Ma Chiu-kei, wife of a prominent Chinese physician. After her marriage, fifteen years ago, she retired from the stage. Since then she has acted only once — last year to collect money for the Defence Loan of the Kwangtung Provincial Government. Now she has offered to appear for the benefit of the refugee relief funds of the National Women's Relief Association's Hong Kong Branch.

SHE will appear in two plays. One is her masterpiece of former years — "The Black Cicada." The other is, "Bringing a Winter Cloak by Night." Both are famous Cantonese dramas.

THE performances will take place at the Lee Theatre on Caroline Hill Road on Saturday and Sunday, December 26 and 27, at 8 p.m.

ARE YOU READING MEIN KAMPF?

Are you following "Mein Kampf" in the "China Mail"? If not, begin to-morrow. Many others are doing so with the keenest interest, for events in Europe are such as to necessitate their reading in conjunction with "Mein Kampf."

These articles in the "China Mail" are based on both the original German version and the special translated English edition. The differences between them are specially noted.

FUNERAL OF LATE MR. JOHN ISBISTER

The funeral of the late Mr. John Duncan Isbister, Chief Engineer of the s.s. Kong So, took place in the Colonial Cemetery yesterday afternoon, the service being conducted by the Reverend Cyril Brown, of the Seamen's Institute.

Mr. Isbister, who was 67 years of age, was held in high esteem on the China Coast. He passed away in the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday morning.

The Chief Mourner was deceased's brother, Captain C. S. Isbister.

Among those who attended the funeral were Captain W. E. Kirby, Captain C. W. Shearer, Capt. H. Griffiths, Messrs. G. L. Kinlock, D. G. Will, A. H. Brown, W. C. Forsyth, J. F. Hall, C. Stenberg, A. N. MacKenzie, and Peter Wilson.

Floral tributes were sent from "Margaret," "Jeanne," "George," "Charley," the Marine Engineers' Guild, Captain and Officers of s.s. Sai On, Chaplain, Manager and Staff of the Sailors and Seamen's Institute, Hong Kong, and many others.

UNUSUAL CASE IN KOWLOON

An unusual case of larceny of two coffins was heard at the Kowloon Magistracy when Chan Fu, 27, was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

Complainant instructed defendant to deliver two coffins to a house in Portland Street, but he sold them to another coffin shop in Un Chau Street for \$17 and went to Macao.

SWATOW PEACE

The Swatow Branch of the Bank of China, which was moved to Hong Kong following the Japanese air raids in October, has resumed business here. — Central News.

LOCAL ESTATE

Local estate, sworn under \$28,700, was left by the late Mrs. Quon Mok Yee Yung, alias Yet Fong, alias Yow Yang, of Toronto, Canada, who died on May 20, 1938, in Canada. An application by Mr. H. K. Woo, lawful attorney, for sealing Exemplification of Probate of the Will, has been granted.

REFUGEE STALL AT M.C.L. BAZAAR

A MOST SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR IN AID OF THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE AND OTHER CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS, WAS HELD BY THE ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE STAFF AND STUDENTS YESTERDAY, CROWDS OF ADULTS AND YOUNGSTERS, GIRLS AND BOYS, THROUGING THE MAIN HALL OF THE COLLEGE, PATRONISING THE DIFFERENT STALLS.

Mrs. T. H. King, wife of the Commissioner of Police, declaring the function opened at 11 a.m., said she had always taken a keen interest in the activities of the league and was an enthusiastic supporter of any function that furthered its aims. She wished the bazaar every success.

Among visitors were the Rev. G. K. Carpenter, of St. John's Hostel, and the Rev. Chung Yan-lan.

The visitors were conducted through the Bazaar by Miss E. S. Atkins, Headmistress of St. Stephen's Girls' College, and Miss E. M. Buckland, Secretary of the M.C.L.

Two of the most interesting stalls were those where articles made by refugee children and by students of the School for the Deaf were on display.

Vicker baskets, rattan cases, animal-toys and dolls' clothing were contributed by refugee children, while the deaf students displayed a variety of baby's clothing, embroidered articles, and toys.

Members of The D.B.S. Shoe-shine Club posted themselves at the entrance and reaped a good harvest which was also contributed to the bazaar takings.

The bazaar ended with a keen net-ball match between Present and Past Students.

Being, incidentally, champions of the Net-ball League, the Present Students emerged victorious.

K.B.G.C. KIDDIES SPORTS

Kowloon Bowling Green Club's eighth annual children's sports, held on their ground yesterday afternoon, was attended by a large gathering.

Prizes were distributed by Mrs. J. D. Thomson, after which she was presented with a cut-glass vase of flowers by Miss Pamela Coombes.

The following is the prize-list:— Potato Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1, D. White; 2, A. MacLennan.

Skipper Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1, J. Sturgess; 2, M. White and E. McKelvie (dead heat).

Flat Race for Boys (4 to 7 years)—1, K. Armstrong; 2, R. Boyce.

Flat Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—1, E. Sheriff; 2, Anne Jeffries and J. Cave (dead heat).

Boat Race for Boys (all ages)—1, V. Lockhart; 2, J. Sanders.

Egg and Spoon Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1, P. McKelvie; 2, J. Logan.

Wice Tea Race (children under 4 years)—1, M. Sheriff; 2, M. Morton.

Flat Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1, J. Anderson; 2, S. Clark.

Competition for Members of the Band—1, C. Upstall; 2, D. Dolly.

Egg and Spoon Race for Girls (4 to 7 years)—1, B. Judge; 2, L. Clemo; 3, A. McIntyre.

Sack Race for Boys (8 to 14 years)—1, D. Gorton; 2, M. Anderson and J. Lancaster (dead heat).

Musical Chairs for Girls (all ages)—1, K. Lay; 2, J. Thompson; 3, J. Cave.

Three-legged Race for Boys (all ages)—1, G. Clarke and J. Boyce; 2, V. Lockhart and J. Lancaster.

Flat Race for Girls (8 to 14 years)—1, M. Campbell; 2, M. White.

Egg and Spoon Race for Ladies—1, Mrs. A. Atkins; 2, Mrs. A. Morton.

DAIRY FARM TURKEY PRIZE OFFER

Thanks to the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company, the "Sunday Herald" is offering as a Christmas present to the enterprising a fifteen-pounder turkey.

The competition is simplicity itself, calling merely for a quick eye.

Somewhere in to-day's issue, maybe in the news or feature columns, maybe in an advertisement, three phrases will be found as follows:

"rubber composition suitable for bouncing"

"caused wide comment"

"never count the cost"

The turkey will be awarded to the reader who correctly identifies the whereabouts of these three phrases, first solution opened winning in the event of several competitors proving equally on their toes.

Entries should be in by Tuesday last post and the result will be announced in Wednesday's "China Mail."

GAMBLING EVIL INQUIRY

("Sunday Herald" Special)

Ways and means to combat gambling are still under discussion by the Special Committee appointed by Government, the "Herald" learned yesterday.

The Committee, are particularly interested in the problem of dealing with keepers of gambling houses and the owners of the premises, who are considered to be at the root of the evil.

It is likely that considerably heavier fines on keepers and owners will be suggested for legislation.

DEPORTED

Another batch of 150 Chinese, deported by the Siamese Government, arrived here yesterday en route to Fukuoka.

Some 3,000 Chinese have been deported during the past few months.

The residence of Li Ki Yuen, at No. 4 Wong Nei Chung Road, was entered between midnight and 6 a.m. on Friday, and clothing to the value of \$78 stolen.

"FOUL" POULTRY SALE WARNING

A warning against the purchase of poultry from other than well-known dealers, was given in the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when a man and woman, both Chinese, were charged with possession of poultry not fit for human consumption.

Sanitary Inspector A. C. Sinton revealed that when he raided an establishment in Reclamation Street, occupied by accused, he found chickens, ducks, etc. weighing a total of 162 lbs. every bit of which was unwholesome.

The woman, he stated, was fined \$100 for a similar offence only a month ago.

It was believed that they were members of a gang, difficult to catch, engaged in this particular trade in unwholesome poultry, which might become very dangerous to the public.

Mr. E. Himsforth, before whom the case was heard, imposed a fine of \$300 or four months' imprisonment on the man, and \$100 or two months' on the woman.

LEAVES CAR LESS THAN AN HOUR --MISSING

According to a police report, Mr. Burt, of No. 1, Tramway Path, lost his car between 5 p.m. on Friday and 11.30 a.m. yesterday. The vehicle was found later abandoned in the Peak District with three keys missing.

Dr. E. W. Stout, of Alexandra Building, has reported his car, a Morris Eight, No. 408, missing. It was parked outside Thomas Cook and Company for three-quarters of an hour, between 3.15 and 4 p.m. yesterday.

POLICE DANCE

A Police Dance will be held in the Peninsula Hotel on January 6 next, from 9.15 p.m. to 2 a.m. There will be "spot" prizes and the price of admission will be \$2.

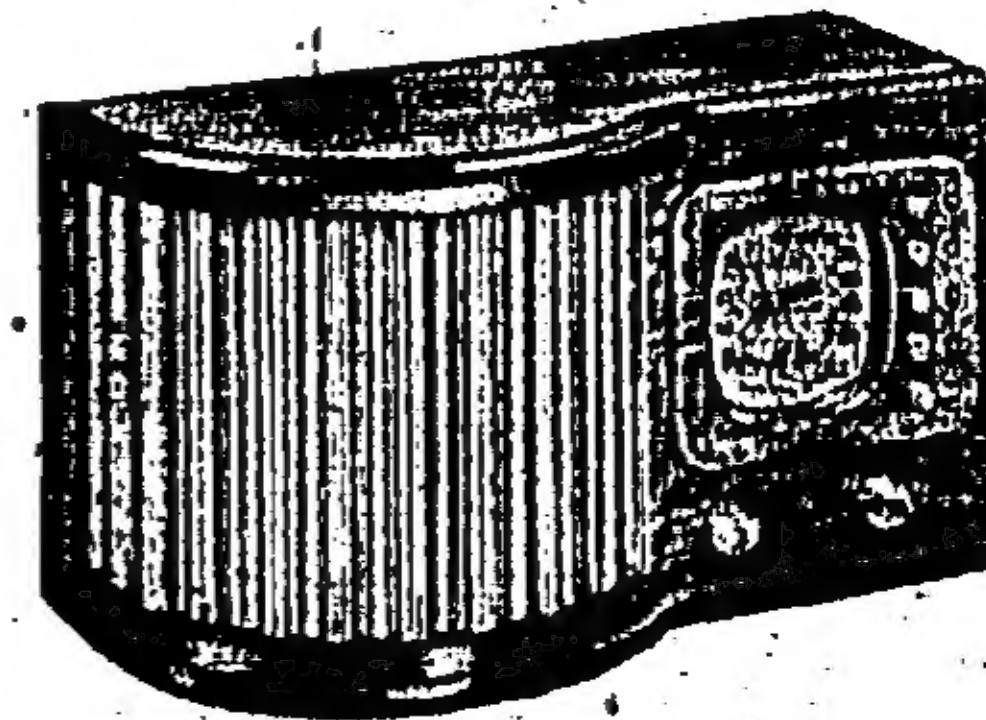


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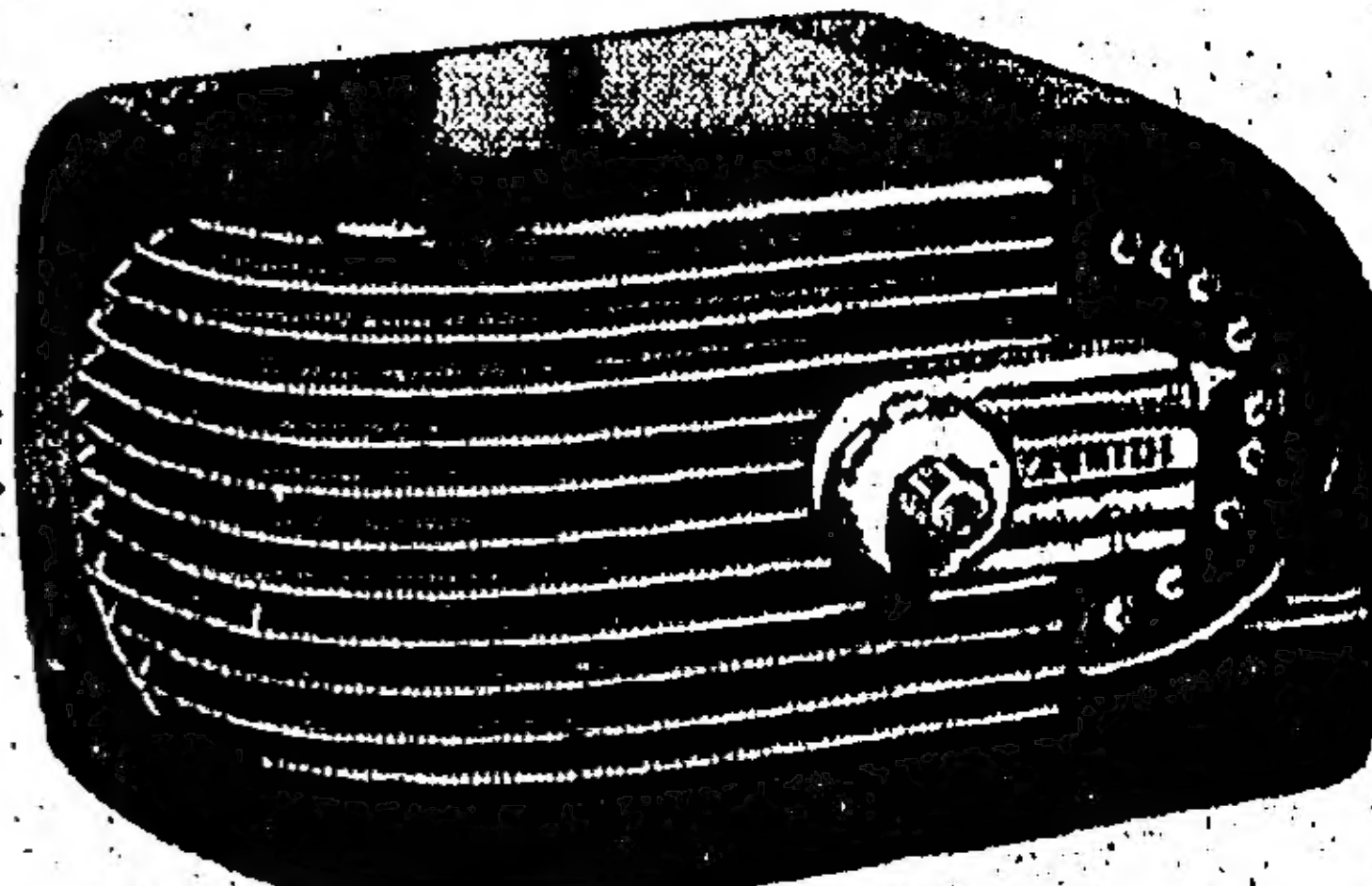


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LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

Hats as small as a mace in what MISS NAYLOR is offering this week. These saucy hats are more bunches of flowers attached to velvet discs, and are meant to mingle with Martini cocktails. You wear these hats over your right ear, secured to your head with elastic band or velvet ribbon tied under the chin. We're an enthusiastic about these new creations as we are about the model hats. About once a year the house of Henderson turns out a very exclusive batch of hats, which nothing on earth will induce them to duplicate. Twelve of these conceited beauties are now at MISS NAYLOR'S. Selections are two charming Gibson Girl types—one in black with a gigantic bunch of ripe berries trimming its brim, and the other in brown with gay 90's veil and insolent pom-pom. Priced lower than they're worth. Hats under \$10 may be found to one side.



For the young girl who fancies herself looking as pretty as Deanna Durbin in her party frocks, there are two perfectly delicious taffetas at DOLLY VARDEN'S. If it came to a choice we would say the two-colour frock was the prettier of two, but only if we were forced into giving a decision. Whichever one you choose be assured that it will put every other frock at the party in the shade. The two-colour frock has an aquamarine taffeta top, with scalloped neckline and puffed sleeves quilted in a floral pattern outlined in gold. The skirt is of black crepe and has one of those very young elastic-shirred waists. The second model is also fashioned of taffeta in a ripe ruby shade, and the flared skirt spreads for miles around. Knife pleated frills trim the neck, hem and cuffs, and black velvet bows add the final touch of decoration. Both by Jean Packard.

If that gift list of yours still looks very full, we suggest you call at your favourite camera dealer right away and pick one of the large range of VOIGTLANDER models. The great advantage of VOIGTLANDER is that they have a camera to suit every purpose and every purse, so that the keen beginner as well as the more discriminating amateur can be perfectly satisfied. VOIGTLANDER have just introduced two new cameras and both are now available in Hong Kong. One is a new edition of the Bessa, called the Baby Bessa and it offers extraordinary value for money; the other is the Focussing Brilliant, an entirely new model with features which are generally found only on the more expensive types. Don't forget also that the gift of a VOIGTLANDER camera this Christmas will put the recipient in a very strong position where competitions are concerned. And there's always VOIGTLANDER'S own Monthly Competition about which your dealer will gladly give you details.

If you're looking around for a heavenly evening coat, save yourself a lot of bother by calling in at THE LINEN CHEST, 210 Gloucester Building. Here you'll find the coat of your dreams in two stately silver lame numbers, with sweeping lines, and unexpected fashion details. Mandarin coats for wear over the trousers of your favourite lounging pyjamas, or sleekest evening dress, are also to be had, and that includes some pretty good-looking satin mules with the new high front. In good-looking evening coats of a dozen may be picked at about \$3. Undies, too, sculptured to fit, and introducing for the first time that lovely scroll and minute floral embroidery beloved to the French. Prices should make you very happy.

The only tube tester which can efficiently test all makes of radio tubes in the Colony may be run to earth in the VICTORIA RADIO SHOPPE, Hankow Road, Kowloon. It is only one small point to prove what we have already said before—that this shop is the most complete and up-to-date servicing station in town. No matter what the make of your radio, they claim they can fix it—a claim which any one of their satisfied clients will willingly bear out. And besides repairing radios, the VICTORIA RADIO SHOPPE also sell them. Right now, they have a stock of Zenith models (for local reception only) which will make the ideal Christmas gift for the young son or daughter in your family. These sets come in many attractive colours, and solves the question of an inexpensive gift with an expensive look about it. The 1939 editions of the Telefunken are also in, and the VICTORIA RADIO SHOPPE invite your inspection.

A gold mesh handbag designed by Schiaparelli makes its appearance at LUCILLE'S. Unlike most other handbags made for evening use this one is a masterpiece in roominess within a limited space. Priced a little higher than its companions, but well worth your dollars and cents. There are also lots of those bags of the travelling case type, which carry everything a lady needs in compact holders. To see them from the outside one would not think they could carry more than a flat flap-jack and comb, but the clever engineer of gadgetry who designed these bags has managed to include as many as five or six different items within a space no larger than an ordinary envelope. Suede bags with opulent clasps, studded with jewels in filigreed gold settings, make handsome companions to the formal and semi-formal mode, while bags in multi-coloured rhinestones are legion both in shape and style. Queen's Road.

Have you noticed with what irritating frequency children are apt to catch cold in all weathers? What's a mere cold after all, you say? A trifle, perhaps, but it is answerable for many illnesses. For instance, it induces or contributes to pneumonia, bronchitis, pulmonary tuberculosis, and several other maladies of a serious character. You see, a sudden chill impairs vitality and renders the victim susceptible to disease generally. Put that way it sounds a little more serious, doesn't it? So if we were you and had any kiddies to mind, we'd guard seriously against colds in the house. After all, an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of cure, you know, so if you've got 20 cents to spare, invest it in a bottle of WATSON'S No. 35 Cough Syrup for Children to-day. . . . sorry, we mean to-morrow, when WATSON'S open for business in the usual way.

Boned bodices are making their appearance everywhere, and the most recent charmer of the strapless mode to come to our notice is an artificial powder blue taffeta with a crinkly look. We met this pretty maid in the Ladies' Salon of LANE, CRAWFORD'S and completely fell under her spell. Velvet ribbon bands, in two shades of pink and mauve encircle the bodice top and hem, and are repeated in the pretty bows which trim both. We met, at the same time, a sophisticated maiden in black, fashioned of chiffon and net, and we thought the shirring in this one the cleverest bit of tailoring we have ever seen. Our interest may have been wholly taken up with these two were it not for a pink ribbed crepe, with blue and pink boned trimming. If you have any curves to show, the fluttering drapery will do heavenly things toward shaping and moulding those curves. We would like to mention, too, that in the department for shoes, Corticelli hose is being offered at a very special price in boxes of two pairs each.

Some very neat day-time woollens have been received at EXCELLA, 188 Nathan Road. One of these is an adorable princess model in blue, with buttons of London tan, zig-zagging down the front. The white Peter Pan collar gives it an appealing baby-look that should subtract years from your age. This same girlishness comes in a mustard mixture, too. It's lines are simply divine, and the designer has been clever enough to give them full play by cutting up on the trimmings. A dark red has a skirt which should permit you to do the Swing with the greatest of ease and freedom, and is trimmed like the others with white collar and cuffs. In the department for afternoon frocks we suggest you find a black ribbed crepe, having a high round neck piped with red chiffon velvet. The velvet is repeated in the wide cummerbund which slips in the slender waist, and bolero decorated with a rhinestone fly.

PRIVATE FACES IN PUBLIC PLACES

Period

THE other evening we passed a house and heard the strains of that comic negative "Yes! We Have No Bananas." That takes you back to 1923 and us to an old aunt who preserved the Christmas ceremonies by presenting us every year with a new tie. It was always of the detachable variety, we think in memory of her husband who unaccountably disappeared in Central America. At a distance, you couldn't tell it from the real thing, but a close view gave it away for a miserable sham. It had been tied forever at the shop by more expert hands than ours, and to put it on we simply hooked a little wire gadget on the back of the tie over the collar button, and tucked right and left wings under the collar. To get back to "Yes! We Have No Bananas!" we peered in through the window, saw a dim gentleman winding a horn gramophone. He was wearing one of our aunt's ties.

eyes and magic at the tips of her nimble fingers. She presides over "Eunice", swaggar gown shop in the Peninsula Arcade; is responsible for the perfection of eighty per cent of the Colony's smartest women. Jean: Costides is an artist who works in sequins, silks and antins. Having a dress designed by her is equivalent to being re-moulded in the latest style with subtle Costides' variations in embonpoint, inner vision, and what-have-you.

WORKING in fabrics, Costides angles with a portrait painter's eye. In walks the customer. Costides, work-maniac against a background of palest beige and vast, moon-shaped mirror, cocks her head on one side soaks in line, bulge, colour, and the last love affair. If the customer is in for the first time, she probably has a pre-conceived idea of the personality she wishes to acquire (Just to keep the uninitiated straight-women buy person-

alties, not clothes). Costides listens politely, a lost horizon look in her eyes; nods; calls for a length of material and pins. The customer prattles on while the Costides' fingers deftly nip, tuck, put and pin. An awe-struck neophyte (She reminded us of an altar boy), rings up the curtain and Madame sees herself as Costides sees her. There follows a dramatic little pause, then a breathless "Oh!" Costides inclines her head. The customer murmurs: "Do you really think I dare . . . ?" "Not yet," says Costides and stabs an enormous orchid on the corsage. With the finality of the artist: "Now, it is perfect." In point of fact it is—for the customer invariably becomes a Costides created woman.

A PART from being a first class dress designer—she never repeats a model, deals exclusively with Liberty's and Bullock's, can tell to an eighth of an inch without measuring, and is clever enough to be frank with middle-aged females—Costides knows the historical background of clothes is able to translate classic Greek folds and imperial purples into modern terms. This year, she says, fashions are divided between Ionic friezes and the fur-bellows of the 90's. "Women have grown up," she informed us. "For a decade it's been smart to look like a pretty boy. Now, women have put their hair up and are going in for busts, leg o' mutton sleeves and sweet innocence."

THE hair, sleeves and innocence business is applied art—tell us how a girl grows a bosom in six months?" we enquired, Madame Costides laughed. "She doesn't. That is the designer's job. "See"—she picked up a Goya red velvet—"the corsage is Directoire. Velvet suggests fullness and the cutter does the rest. Of course there are pitfalls—exact copies of 1890 fashions are merely boring—one must convey the 1890 air to make them amusing." We'll let you into a secret: Iman Din is making us a pair of peg top trousers in lavender checks. We're going to check up on the rise and fall of those Directoire bosoms at St. Andrew's Ball.

The Divine Itch

WHEN a man gets up in the middle of the night to paint, the surmise is that he en-



"WAITING"—a nude study by Luis Chan.

joys doing it; when he spends every waking hour of a two weeks vacation with paint and brush in hand, the surmise becomes a certainty. Luis Chan is just that kind of artist. A clerk in a law office, he works, eats and sleeps in snatches in order to paint. You have to look at only one of his pictures to sense that here is a man impelled by a fierce desire to put on canvas the tremendous vitality that he sees in life.

ENTIRELY self taught Chan's ten year apprenticeship to the Muse is a record of grim plodding that ap-

proaches, if not in results at least in energy and determination, the early struggles of Van Gogh. Ignorant of perspective and anatomy, learning labor-

sometimes uncouth, Chan is essentially a primitive who paints because he must, and in doing so busts the tyranny of an exhausted civilisation.

Tough

WE ran into Marjorie Price, the novelist, the other evening; asked her how she liked Hong Kong. "I like Hong Kong, but it doesn't like me," she said. "Yesterday someone stole my only decent piece of jewellery and the day before, my husband lost a brand new hat. Miss Price was wearing her diamond spray when it was delicately detached by a light fingered thief who did not stop to say thank you. The hat remains a mystery, though Lieut-

NOT one of the oils and water colours on view at the Cathedral Hall this coming week, were done in an easy and



COSTIDES—"Women buy personalities not clothes."

casual fashion; each mirrors the force and vigour of a strong personality attacking a difficult task. His water colours are often so saturated in atmospheric effects that the natural colouring is entirely overlaid—a recurrent fever brought on by the splendour of light and colour on a man who paints because he is physically and emotionally stirred. His oils are powerful and compelling, the paint used like a material, with the pigment standing away from the canvas so prominently that you can almost knock it off.

enant Brightman, R.N. has his suspicions. His wife who has just completed "Woman for Sale" for the Spring lists, asked us to correct the impression that she was the author of an article entitled "I Follow The Fleet", which appeared in a recent issue of the "Sunday Herald" magazine section. For the benefit of the wives of the "Silent Service" the article came from other sources.

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LUIS CHAN: "If I don't paint I feel itchy."

A TIP TO MEN AT CHRISTMAS:

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WE had a girl friend (out of the past) with us and treated her to Crêpe Emile. Emile prepares the dish himself; says that it is made from an old recipe that was a favourite of Henry VIII; also that the mixture is a carefully guarded secret. Pressed to divulge, he would go no further than five different liquors, which he refused to name. Kerlicolorf Ellan, the violinist, understands the nuances and the lighting is discreet. All in all, the perfect place to take your mistress or the wife in a romantic mood.

To Hell With Statistics

YOU can't argue with facts. The movies are packed, the Hong Kong Hotel has bought lush, pile carpets, the shops don't give a hoot whether you get served to-day or to-morrow, and our advertising manager has lost that faraway, wistful look. And if anybody's still worrying, there's the Import and Export Office busy retrieving the exports and imports.

New Racket

NEXT time you hear that pleasantly plutocratic pop that denotes the opening of a bottle of champagne, give a thought to Mr. Eric Wardman. An austere little man whose sole concession to frivolity is a cherry-coloured waistcoat sprigged with white dots, he regards wine-bibbing as a waste of time and money, preferring to drink orange squash on festive occasions. His approach to Bacchus

AUSTRALIANS WED. The wedding group after the marriage of Commander A. H. Spurgeon, of the Royal Australian Navy, and Miss Ruth Hall Owen, also of Australia. (Bann's Studio).

is a highly original one, being governed solely by corks, of which he has been a collector for many years. Of these he is a connoisseur, possessing many hundreds, all of which are carefully labeled according to the brand and year with which they are stamped. Unbranded corks do not interest him.

A retired business man, Mr. Wardman travels for his health and corks. Every fresh port of call finds him ashore, interviewing wines stewards and butlers in search of fresh specimens. Champagne corks being harder to come by than the others, are his favourites, and it was in quest of these we met him. We overheard him vainly trying to explain his mission to a Chinese steward, who, having brought a magnum, stood poised by the silver pail while Mr. Wardman uttered uncompromising negatives.

ASSUMING the role of interpreter we gathered that corks in Hong Kong are considered trivia and tossed aside the moment the bottle is opened. We informed Mr. Wardman of this carelessness, and were astonished to find that it surprised him. According to Mr. Wardman, the cork has a cash value, and in other parts of the globe "corkage" is a recognised perquisite of the waiter or wine steward. "Most wine merchants buy back their branded corks at so much a dozen," he informed us. "The rate they pay varies with the brand; a well known brand will fetch four to five dollars the dozen, and a less popular one as much as twenty dollars. The vintners offer these prices as an inducement to the waiter to recommend their wines to the customer. I am very surprised that the corkage system has not reached Hong Kong," he added. So are we.

Wanchai

THE Chinese beat of her slippers felt. AND the inviting roll of her thighs.

ENDEAVOUR in vain to deny the shame.

IN her sorrowful, anguished eyes.

Power

THE comfortablest job in the world is the volunteer's. He has an almost divine sense of power. The volunteer usher at the show the other night must have felt that way. An oldish gent, purpling, bawled that he couldn't hear from where he was sitting. The usher smiled down at him, benevolently, conscious that he could reach out at will and tweak the old boy's nose. He couldn't be sacked; he had nothing to lose; the customer was entirely in his power, and he forbore. It must have been wonderful.

The Orful Child

WE have an adopted nephew (he adopted us), who celebrated his seventh birthday the other day, and whose attitude to life, as nearly as we can bring ourselves to define it, is a mixture of greed, vulgarity, and a



Kerlicolorf Ellan, violinist at the Parisian Grill, understands the nuances.

simple, aboriginal blood lust. This, we are told by his proud parents, is normal and healthy, and will pass gradually with the years. At the moment, however, his interest in Christmas is expressed only in rather unpleasant subservience to those of his family whom he judges (quite acutely) to be most solvent; his acquaintance with the arts does not extend beyond Comic Cuts; and his obsession with butchery, though it is necessarily marginal, being confined to anatomical experiments with the cats, would impress Franco.

IT occurs to us that while these are unhappy days to be born and unhappy days for millions of grown-ups, they probably are perfect to be exactly seven years old. In his present state, we feel tolerably sure, our adopted nephew would find himself in harmony with the dreams of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini, and well pleased in general with the ways of the world. In fact, we hereby tender him

our heartiest congratulations as the one human we know who is almost precisely in tune with the spirit of his time. Happy Christmas, little moron, happy Christmas!

Face Value

EVERY now and then a story breaks necessitating official confirmation before publication. The usual practice is to ring up the Government department concerned and the usual answer is "We know nothing." The reporter whose job it is to obtain confirmation, hung the receiver up the other day, said: "I think they're telling the truth."

The People Cannot See But They Can Feel

READING the poem by "Just One" which we print below, reminds us that this weekend most of the English who administer this rocky little island off the China coast, will be turning their thoughts to England, home and beauty. Ourselves without roots, we wonder how many of our compatriots realise the extent of the feeling directed against that nostalgic longing for the homeland, which for so many at this time of the year becomes sharper than a toothache. Against the appointment of officials whose hearts are in the Shires; against the business men whose one ambition it is to secure a competence large enough to enable them to retire to Bournemouth or the Isle of Wight; against the artisans who would cheerfully give the whole of Cathay for the sight of a murky sunset o'er Battersea; against the entire alien race who, numbering a mere twenty thousand, order the destinies of a million-and-a-quarter yellow, mod-faced subjects. AWAKE! AWAKE! AWAKE!!! (Ye Lovers of Freedom) Season of gladness, Midst hate and sadness; Sympathy for folks Of Ohlan, in throes Of War madness.

Kind thoughts; some feeling; Eyes towards ceiling; Prayers this Xmas, for The Chinese, who are With slayers dealing. A great nation . . . Its people, Bombed, butchered, battered and bullied By bloody brutes! Awake, ye lovers of freedom, awake!

AND the letter from a returned student which ends: "This week we who obey are caught by this strange fever that attacks the English in December. Though thousands of us at best have only a garbled knowledge of the great religious drama symbolised by Christmas, we drink the cup of kindness that Jesus gave the English." A naive sentiment, but one which shames cynical practice.

Still Life

(The Astronomer Royal, speaking of Mars, says: "It is probable we are looking at a world that is the home of spent life.")

World of wars among stars— O Mars! The Astronomer Royal Doesn't doubt that your strength has passed out By some act of destruction. What nourished the life that once flourished Upon your red planet Is spent: why it went, what event Resolved or began is Who can know? Can the scientists show? Can the poets? The clerics? Was the life self-destroyed? Was the void Due to time's atmospheres? Or did the Creator Of all the starred systems make gruff Pronouncement: "This crater Has spewed forth its stuff. Long enough: BE STILL!" and a chill Beyond death crushed the youth in a frozen Sphere: While the Hosts with no tear Saw one world more unchosen.

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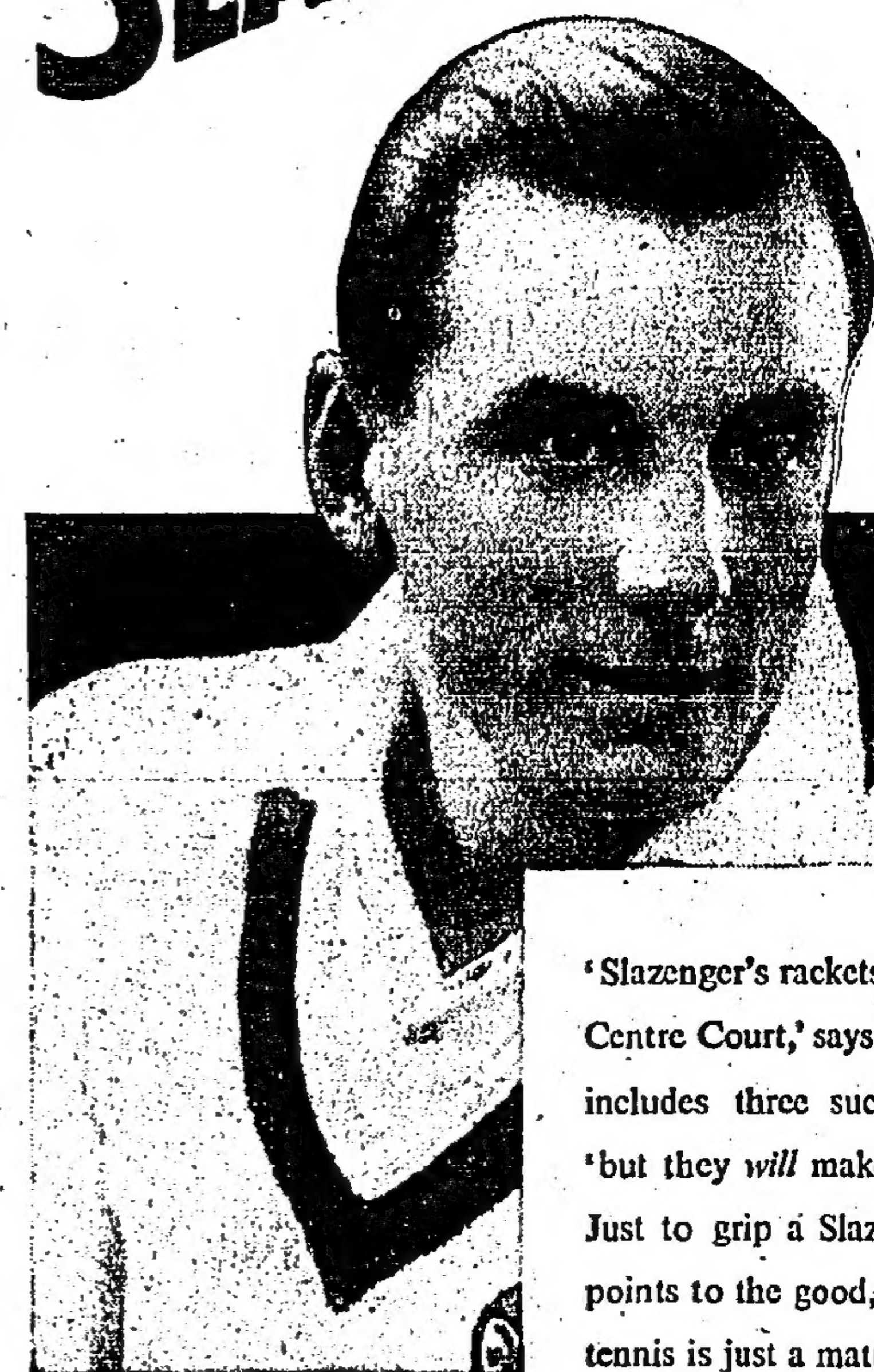
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SUICIDE DRUG KING IN ARMS SMUGGLING?

New York, Yesterday. Investigations by the Federal authorities into the affairs of Coster, the "Drug King," whose suicide yesterday caused such a shock, take the line that he might have been connected with the Spanish Government ship "Cantabria" which sank off the Spanish coast a year ago. Investigations are also being conducted into the possibility that Coster was engaged in the shipment of arms and ammunition to nations at war in cases labelled milk of magnesia. — Reuter.

A.R.P. TRENCH AT \$64 A YARD

London, Yesterday. It will cost up to £3 15s. a yard to make permanent the trenches dug during the crisis, according to instructions sent to local authorities by the Home Office A.R.P. department.

Trenches may be lined with concrete or with rustproof steel or a combination of both.

And, says the Home Office pamphlet, if they have been dug to the Home Office plan—7ft. deep and 5ft. wide—the cost should not be more than £3 15s. a yard.

The floor should be of concrete or flag stones, or filled with shingle or other porous material. A ventilator should be fixed in each corner, or length of trench, so that it can be made an emergency exit in war time. A concrete or metal cover with a grid in the concrete would be suitable for this.

"It is also unlikely," says the pamphlet, "that they will be used in any way at present, and entrances should be closed so that the filled-in ramps can be re-opened should the necessity arise."

All materials used should be of British manufacture.

LORETTA YOUNG'S FRIEND ARRESTED

New York, Yesterday.

WILLIAM BUCKNER, member of one of America's most prominent insurance families — said to be engaged to Loretta Young, the film star — was arrested on his arrival in New York from England in the Queen Mary, and accused of £200,000 frauds.

Buckner and a friend, William Gillespie, who was arrested with him in the liner, were alleged to have spread false "inside information" last January which caused a boomlet on Wall-street and foreign exchanges in Philippine Railway bonds.

The police further allege they took five beautiful showgirls by air to Washington in August 1937, and threw a party in an attempt to influence legislators.

Miss Young said on learning of the affair: "I know Mr. Buckner very well. I have been out with him many times here, and I like him—but marriage is ridiculous."

Special Envoy For Totalitarian Triangle

"GOEBBELS IS TO BE FIRED."

That is how Berlin and Paris society gossips are interpreting rumours that:

Dr. Goebbels is to quit Berlin and go to Tokyo as a special envoy to draw Japan closer into the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo triangle.

Lately it has been said that he has fallen out of favour. Heinrich Himmler, grim Gestapo chief, it is alleged, is now his enemy. Every bit of gossip to his discredit has been published.

Goebbels' enemies seized on the occasion when he banned the film "A Prussian Love Story," starring his favourite actress, Lida Barova. This followed tales of an incident involving Goebbels with Lida Barova's husband, Gustav Froelich.

Berlin is now too small to contain society whispers about Himmler and friction with Goebbels.

Hitler, looking to Japan, sees in closer relations the key to two of his ambitions—a German share in the vast Chinese market and the chance of joint military action against Russia.

It is said that he thinks Goebbels would be an ideal Ambassador and a tireless propagandist for Germany.

In Rome, on Friday, Lord Perth, British envoy, again saw Count Ciano, the Duce's Foreign Minister, about the Chamberlain-Hallifax visit to Rome in January. He is said to have stressed how obstacles are created by the clamours in the Italian Press for France to give up Tunis, Djibouti, and Corsica.

ITALIAN "BLUFF"

Germany is backing Italy. But it is alleged that two countries decided a month ago on a joint plan to divide the unity of Britain and France. They agreed that Italy should make up to Britain and pick quarrels with France, while Germany should make up to France and quarrel with Britain. So the Anglo-Italian pact came into force and Germany negotiated a "no-war" declaration with France.

France thinks the Italian campaign is bluff. It began after Ciano made a speech quoting Italy's "semi-mobilisation" in the crisis to prove her power. The story he told is said in European

BRITISH ARMAMENT COSTS

London, Yesterday. Naval expenditure has been doubled, army expenditure trebled and air force expenditure quintupled since the last election, the War Minister said in a speech at Devonport yesterday. He added he expected that 60 warships would enter service this financial year.—Reuter.

NEW RUMANIAN EMBASSIES

Bucharest, Yesterday.

King Carol has signed decrees raising the Rumanian Legations in Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia to the status of Embassies. —Reuter.

in the crisis despite German requests.

To-day, her arms factories are not even working full time—for lack of materials.

The Paris Midi says Rome is provoking tension so that when Chamberlain goes there he may want France to make concessions for the sake of appeasement.

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CHARITY IS NOT ALL WE CAN OFFER HITLER'S VICTIMS

World Should Unite To Save The Jews

GERMANY has set us two problems by her outbreak of barbarism against the Jews. An urgent practical duty confronts us; somehow her victims must be liberated and established elsewhere.

But we have also to consider our future attitude towards a Power that can use all the resources of civilisation to destroy its spirit. The first difficulty that confronts us in the work of rescue is that Pharaoh has hardened his heart and will not let this oppressed people go.

Hitler's acts look like aberration but there is in it an element of calculation. It is his conviction that the Jews inspire and control the Liberal and Socialist forces the world over, and these he believes to be the inveterate enemies of Germany.

He argues that if he retains his 600,000 Jews as hostages, he can terrify his enemies into submission, or at least compel them to desist from active hostility. If criticism confronts him, he increases the torments of the victims on his rack.

PAY UP PRESSURE

It is now Hitler's practice to strip every Jew, before he escapes, of every shred of property he owns. The refugee arrives naked, if he can find an asylum that will welcome the destitute.

But the new decrees have doomed him to starvation if he stays. No doctor or lawyer may practise his profession. No shopkeeper may retain his shop. All stocks and shares owned by Jews must be surrendered for some more or less nominal compensation.

Robbed in this way, the Jews must next pay their fine of £80,000,000. It is not clear whether any humble trades are still open by which the destitute victims may earn their bread. In charity the only expedient by

which the effects can be alleviated? We have, in fact, to shoulder our own debt to a race which, for its numbers, has made in our age a nobler contribution to civilisation than any other. It is not enough that private individuals should give; Governments also should aid the settlement of these Jews elsewhere.

It is probable that work could be found for many of the younger scientists, doctors and technicians in the less advanced countries that have some ideal of toleration—Turkey, for example, and a great part of Latin America.

Suggestions are being made for the settlement of big colonies in many places. Some, like Alaska and British Guiana, have unfriendly climates. In others, like Kenya, the natives have a prior claim to the land.

The best hope is, perhaps, that with financial assistance the Dominions and the less backward countries of South America should each take their share of settlers who are commonly above the average in talent and adaptability.

PLANNED OUTRAGES

This problem is being studied by the dwindling minority of Governments that represent civilisation; but a bigger political issue faces us.

Here is a Power that commands a formidable military machine and the most advanced industrial equipment in Europe, which has

chosen to defy every ideal of civilised behaviour.

This was no accidental outbreak of rage. The pogroms in which synagogues, hospitals and shops were smashed were manifestly planned. The imprisonment of 40,000 innocent men, the execution of hundreds in the camps and the savage decrees were the work of the German Government.

This brutality is more than the

SAYS
H. N. BRAILSFORD

peculiarity of one man's personality; it springs from the Nazi view of life, which confounds law and justice with the dictator's will, glorifies ruthless force, and regards the humanity and rationalism of our Western democratic tradition as proofs of decadence.

Where this Power plants its feet, all the higher values of civilisation are doomed to perish. Mr. Chamberlain's policy of fraternisation with Germany has suffered a momentary check since these pogroms. But the reactions of the governing class deserve close attention.

The chief observable effect, in France, as in England, has been

the revival of resistance to the plans that were under consideration for meeting Germany's colonial claims.

M. Daladier, so object in his abandonment of his Czech allies, has become almost heroic in his determination to retain the French colonial empire intact. General Sauts is ready to fight in order to keep South-West Africa. Mr. Malcolm MacDonald has given an assurance for the present, at least, as to Tanganyika.

Even the "Times," which had proposed to carve, mainly out of other people's territories, a big continuous colonial empire for Germany on the west coast of Africa, has prudently forgotten this project.

With some of the reasoning advanced to support this negative attitude, we can all agree. The Nazi doctrine of race, which treats all coloured and some white peoples as "sub-human," is a disqualification for any colonial responsibility.

One disturbing reflection, however, occurs to us as we watch this indignation against anti-semitism. It coincides with the formal recognition of Italy's conquest of Abyssinia, a more brutal performance than any Nazi exploit. And Mussolini has embraced the whole theory and practice of anti-semitism.

Wanted-a Foreign Policy

THE recent visit of the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary to Paris must focus upon the British Foreign Office the attention of the world. In these days more depends upon British Foreign policy than the future of Great Britain. It is for this reason that not only Britain but the world has a right to know upon what principles that policy is founded. Excessive curiosity is not to be encouraged and repeated Parliamentary debates upon foreign affairs do more harm than good. The machinery of diplomacy is of extreme delicacy. When the Government have stated from what base they are proceeding, along what road and towards what goal, then, if the people are satisfied that the general principles are sound they should be content to await in patience the results.

Before the War it was clearly understood that our friends in Europe were France and Russia, that our ally in the Far East was Japan and that while we harboured no aggressive designs in any continent, and while we were prepared to make considerable concessions to the claims of these Powers who considered that their colonial ambitions were unsatisfied, we none the less felt that with such friends and such an ally we could face the most dire emergency with equanimity. That policy had the general approval of all Parties.

After the War it was believed that the relations of states were to be governed by a new law. All nations were to be members of one society, all disputes were to be settled by arbitration, and all separate agreements were to be made public and only concluded if they received general approval. Should any one state be so bold, so foolish or so wicked as to violate an arrangement that had been made for the benefit of all, then all the others would inflict upon the peace-breaker the punishment

which she had so richly deserved. Believing in the efficacy of this system, the British Government based their foreign policy upon the League of Nations and upon the doctrine of collective security. This policy had the support of all Parties and the explicit adherence of every British Government, from the Coalition of 1918 to the re-elected National Government of 1935.

For reasons, which it is not proposed here to explore, that policy is at an end. Collective security has been tried and has been found wanting. The League of Nations has ceased to play important part in the affairs of Europe and when the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs recently announced in the House of Commons that it was the intention of the Government

to rebuild the League the remark was greeted with what is described in the press as "ironical cheers."

Upon what then is the foreign policy of the present British Government based? This is surely a legitimate enquiry. It can no longer be based upon the League for the League by the Government's own admission is in ruins, and the phrase "collective security" has gone out of circulation.

To the student of history there would appear to be only two alternatives—either isolation or alliances. For a self contained country such as Russia, able to rely almost entirely upon her own resources and without any possessions overseas, isolation is a policy which has much to recommend it, but it is extremely doubtful whether it would prove practicable for an island state with possessions in every continent and compelled to rely upon commerce for its prosperity and upon sea-borne supplies for its existence. Isolation would also demand the denunciation of many treaty obligations, some of them only recently undertaken. Not to mention England's ancient alliance with Portugal, she has treaties with Iraq and with Egypt, she has obligations under the Treaty of Locarno to France and to Germany and her present Government has recently incurred a new commitment with regard to the frontiers of Czechoslovakia. This latest development, even if it stood alone must shut the door upon isolation as a possible policy

for the present emergency.

Great Britain is left, therefore, with the alternative of alliances, which means binding herself to friends, whose interests are similar to her own, in order to protect those interests if they are attacked. England has had many allies in her long history. To enumerate them would be to make a list of nations from which there would be few exceptions.

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To the student of history there would appear to be only two alternatives—either isolation or alliances. For a self contained country such as Russia, able to rely almost entirely upon her own resources and without any possessions overseas, isolation is a policy which has much to recommend it, but it is extremely doubtful whether it would prove practicable for an island state with possessions in every continent and compelled to rely upon commerce for its prosperity and upon sea-borne supplies for its existence. Isolation would also demand the denunciation of many treaty obligations, some of them only recently undertaken. Not to mention England's ancient alliance with Portugal, she has treaties with Iraq and with Egypt, she has obligations under the Treaty of Locarno to France and to Germany and her present Government has recently incurred a new commitment with regard to the frontiers of Czechoslovakia. This latest development, even if it stood alone must shut the door upon isolation as a possible policy

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We cannot accept the word "appeasement" as a substitute for a policy. According to the dictionary the word means to soothe or satisfy—but there are passions not soothed by gentle gestures or kind words; there are appetites aroused that no concessions will satisfy. Never before has the sentiment of alarm been so widely spread nor so profoundly felt. The anxious nations still look with lingering hopes toward Great Britain for support and leadership. Some sign of both should be given them without delay. It is not yet too late, but anxiety is beginning to turn into despair and the days are numbered.

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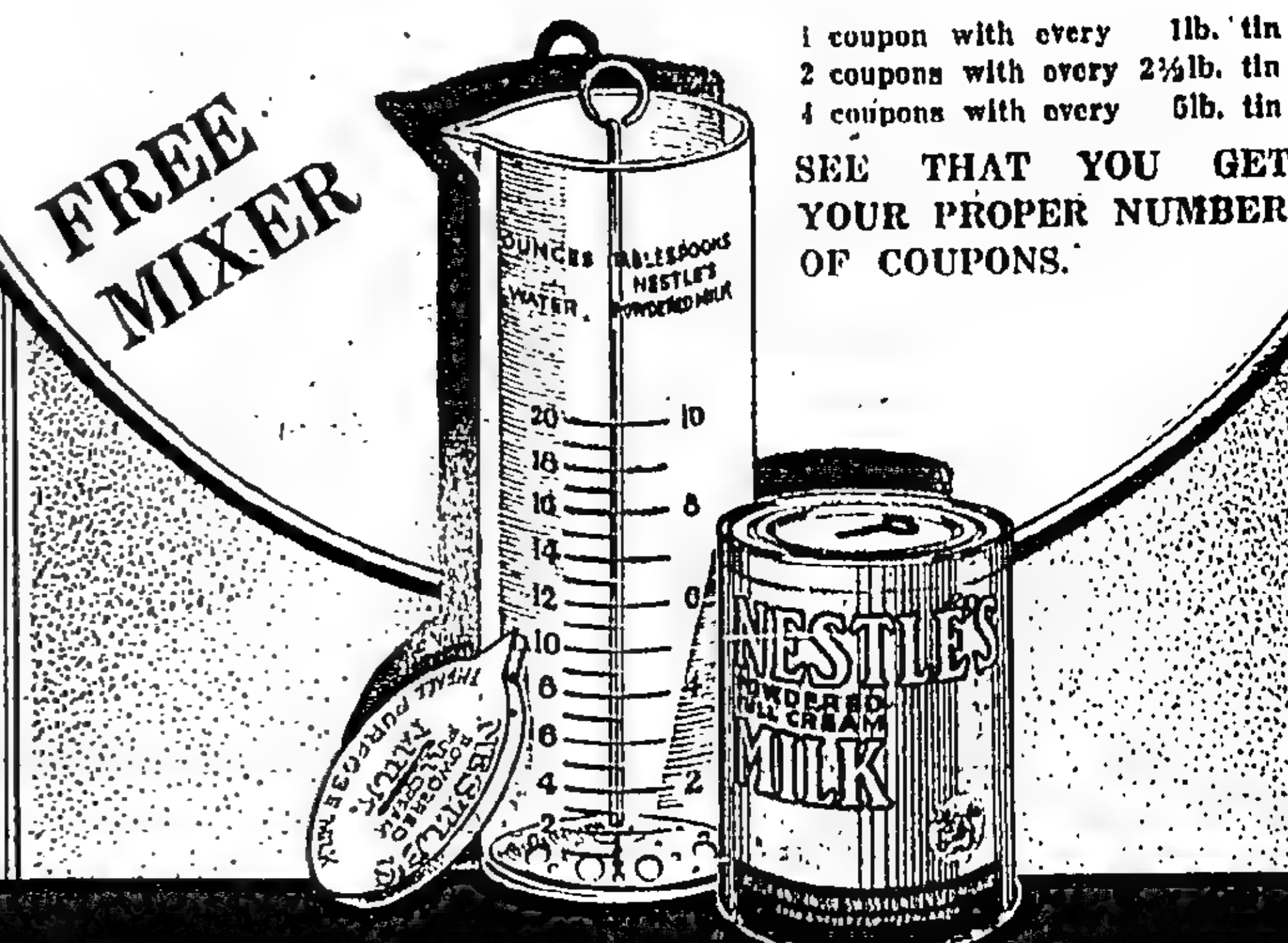
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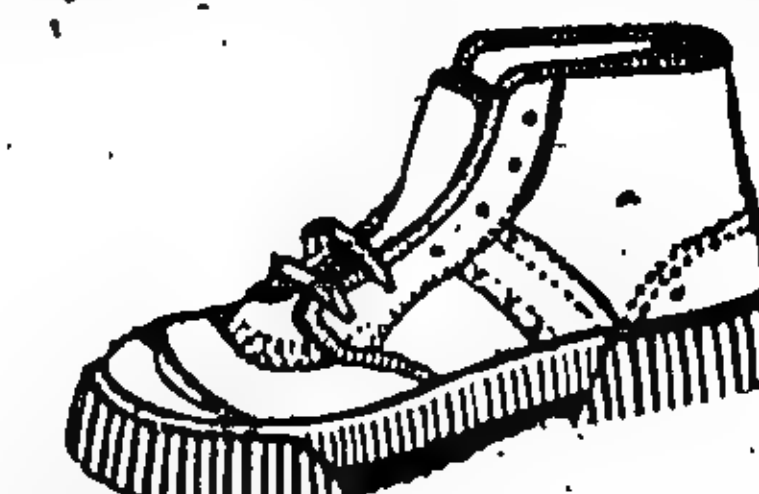


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ROUTINE OUTMODED

EXPECTATIONS, fears, that with the colder weather would come a sharp increase in petty thieving and housebreaking have proved only too disturbingly accurate. Not for generations has the Colony been faced with a crime wave of such proportions. Daily police records are formidable enough to arouse deep public concern, but when it is realised that countless incidents go unreported, it becomes apparent that the problem clamours for action by other than routine methods.

Reasons for the development of this situation are not difficult to discover. Government, however, has no right to expect the public to suffer in silence because the tremendous influx of refugees renders an increase in larcenies, snatchings, pocket-picking, burglaries "inevitable." It might, indeed, be pertinent to ask what increase has been made in the strength of the police to enable them to deal with the vastly increased work thrust upon them by the growth in the population of the Colony. It might be equally pertinent to enquire the number of police force "effectives" available for night duty, the hours when more serious crime is prevalent. Nor is it sufficient to assume that with the waves of refugees have poured into the Colony herds of persistent criminals. Thousands of men and women here are destitute. Employment has become increasingly precarious for those in work, and for the jobless, almost impossible to obtain. The problem is economic, a matter of bread and butter, life or death by starvation. Desperate men do desperate deeds.

Suffering is acute. Bare subsistence is denied the so-called able-bodied man, for little thought is apparently applied to his ability to earn a living, and such work of charity as is undertaken, but rarely extends itself to embrace him. An attempt to eke out a pittance by hawking finds him running foul of the police. What alternative to stealing has Hong Kong society to offer him?

Two solutions suggest themselves with prospect of relieving the public of a constant menace and Stanley Prison of serious overcrowding. One has, we believe, already been mooted. It is that Government should establish a large concentration camp in the New Territories, and that the police should undertake a grand round-up of suspicious characters, unable to give a satisfactory account of their means of livelihood, and place them in a custody which would be less drastic than imprisonment and more precise than ordinary police surveillance. It would involve a certain loss of liberty, but not imprisonment. They would be given work to do; there would be compulsory instruction centres.

Another proposal is that the police should relax the campaign against unlicensed hawkers, provided they confined their activities to certain specified areas. Without too much cynicism, it might be urged that with hawker-hunting off their mind, many of the less responsible members of the force might find time to apply themselves to other more important tasks.

URGENT SOCIAL PROBLEM

A CURIOUS omission, probably more by oversight than by design, marked the discussion at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children when the remarkably fine work of the organisation was analysed. While an important issue raised concerned the provision of a Reformatory for delinquent youths, no mention was made of the care of young girls, which to-day presents a much more immediately urgent social problem.

The poverty which compels the continuous expansion of the Society's endeavours, is contributory almost 100 per cent. to the evil to which attention has been directed in the "Sunday Herald,"—of the presence of girls between 12 and 14 "on the streets," with those anxious to combat it hopelessly handicapped by lack of a "rescue" institution.

The number of such children is frankly appalling, as is also the fact that because of their "inexperience" they more easily succumb to social diseases, and add very largely to a problem which to-day is of very serious concern to the naval and military authorities.

Hints of an understanding between the United States and Britain enabling parallel action in the Far East are beginning to bear fruit. There is obviously something more than coincidence in the simultaneous announcement of substantial credit loans to China. In Britain, the political nature of the loan is frankly proclaimed. Official Washington, by actions rather than words, makes it equally clear that assistance to China may, if Tokyo desires, be interpreted as an act of disapproval of Japanese aggression.

Japan seems ready to accept the challenge. The Nine-Power Treaty has not yet been officially denounced, but Mr. Arita said enough to both Sir Robert Craigie and Mr. Grew to leave London and Washington under no sense of illusion regarding Japanese intentions, if they are permitted to get away with it. Announcement of the formation of a shipping monopoly for the Yangtze, at a moment when Admiral Sir Percy Noble was discussing restoration of foreign rights on an international waterway with Admiral Oikawa, was incapable of misunderstanding. In pursuance of the campaign of encroachment on foreign rights, the "weakest" of the democratic trio, France, finds herself under heaviest fire. Both in Tientsin and Hankow, the French Concessions are squirming under Japanese pressure, and a Japanese military organ boldly declares that the aim is to destroy the economic life of the concessions to speed up their liquidation.

Proposals in the Export Credits Bill, which authorises political aid to China, actually go far beyond that. In Germany the other extensions of facilities proposed have been bitterly denounced as the opening of a trade war against the Third Reich. Mr. Hudson,

THIS WEEK

Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, has not troubled himself to issue a denial of the implication. He did, after all, declare that persistence in Germany's special methods of obtaining trading benefits must compel the British Government to reprisals in protection of British trade interests. Dr. Schacht made a hurried visit to London and his discussions with Mr. Montagu Norman may be assumed to have ranged over a wide field.

On the European political stage, Memel emerged as the next focus-point of Hitler's interest. The Memel Diet election, while producing results varying but fractionally from the previous election, has been exuberantly proclaimed as a great Hitlerite victory, and the cry of "self-determination" is already being sounded. Germany's only problem is whether to seize Memel and cut the area completely away from Lithuania or compromise for economic benefits. Certain it is that the Anglo-French demarche was no more than a feeble gesture.

Curious things have been happening in Spain. Barcelona set tongues wagging by announcing complete religious liberty in the territory under its control. General Franco first threw out a hint that an understanding with the Government authorities was not entirely ruled out and then restored Spanish citizenship to ex-King Alfonso. The insurgent authorities, through that very remarkable organ, remarkable latterly, "The Times," strained themselves to create a better impression of Burgos activities and motives among the British people. Mr. Chamberlain in a speech in London, apropos of Anglo-German relations it is true, placed much emphasis on the power of great financial re-

sources. A Spanish solution may come sooner, and more happily from a British viewpoint, than had been anticipated.

Mr. Chamberlain, in Britain, finds challenge to his foreign policy multiplying. Hints that Lord Baldwin is backing Mr. Eden in his rilly call for genuine national government fits in more with knowledge of Lord Baldwin's political predilections than his congratulatory enthusiasm following Munich. London newspapers, meantime, boldly publish forecasts of Cabinet re-shuffling in the early Spring, though none goes so far as to suggest that the "appeasement pilot" is likely to be dropped.

Palestine terrorism wanes as the military forces reassert control over the outlying areas and Arab excitement dies down with prospect of frank discussions in London. But for the complication of the flood of refugees from Central Europe, solution would probably offer fewer difficulties. To-day the tendency towards compromise is no more clearly marked among the Zionists than among adherents of the Grand Mufti.

Past reporting of a speech by Mr. Malcolm Macdonald credit him with stating a fear that Empire disintegration might set in within the next two years. Subsequent reassurances were perhaps hardly necessary in view of Mr. Macdonald's high reputation for intelligence, his official capacity as Dominions Secretary and thus and thus. What Mr. Macdonald really said was that while existing world conditions and the trend of modern thought provided disintegrating influences, those working to strengthen Empire ties were equally important and probably more vital.

SCRUTATOR.

Battle Of Ideas: by Edward Ellison

Why This B.B.C. Accent?

WHY this B.B.C. accent? As one who comes from the crude North, I often ponder this question.

Association with London and London's "cultural" life stresses the importance of an accent when the necessity arises to take part in, or win, an argument. When in conversation, it becomes essential to put a point of view, it appears that the form is as important as the content. And that form is not merely one of construction, but of tone.

The other day I listened to the voice of a certain Scots lady who has gained a reputation as one of the foremost novelists in the country. After I had been listening to her for over half an hour, it suddenly dawned on me that she was speaking with a broad Scots accent.

Being a Scot myself, I am particularly sensitive to the Scots tongue; and being a Scot I am well aware that the Scots accent is hardly one of the recognised criteria of culture. It is a more acceptable sign of education to speak in the clipped tones of our Southern neighbours.

I also had been under the impression that the Scots accent was something spoken by the more crude and less cultured sections of the community. But I realised, on hearing the lady's voice, that there was something more in this matter of voice-culture, or rather of voice and culture.

THE question repeats itself: Why this B.B.C. accent? What justification is there for replacing local dialects and accents, some musical, all expressive, with this cold, colourless, expressionless tone?

Night after night the radio drones out its expression and interpretation of ideas in its unimaginative manner. Night after night, the nation is given the op-

portunity of hearing how the English language should be enunciated. The large mass of the middle class are coming, slowly but surely, to the conclusion that English should be spoken in B.B.C.

And we are losing what? For a monotonous almost toneless expression of words we are losing the true living English. The niceties of our vulgarities are disappearing as the radio creates a polite language.

In a cold, limited expression of the majority of cases—cold limited ideas, we are gradually losing the virility of the Cockney, the crude reality of the Scot (and this I protest against most violently), the whole virile expression of life as we live it.

WE are evolving, under the tuition of the radio, into a nation of gentlemen and ladies instead of remaining men and women. We are developing into a nation of refined persons, deeply conscious of our mission in life to uphold the principles of politeness and dignity. We are prepared, in the name of this cause, to sacrifice what is real and virile in our life.

To-day, every child is suckled, so to speak, with a radio valve. Our conceptions of music, art, drama, politics and speech are all darts; and beer and darts in the impressed upon us from an early voice of the B.B.C. are very in- age by the voice of Broadcasting House.

We may, in the future, think as they think, read what they tell us to read, eat the foods they advise and talk the language and express the thoughts they express. This in itself is not a bad thing people, if all these things are good. Unfortunately they are not so.

The greatest protest one can make against the influence of the radio on our spoken thoughts is based upon the fact that language does express our thoughts and ideas.

As our language becomes more and more minding and clipped, so do our thoughts and ideas.

EXPERTS on particular subjects may become inarticulate when asked to speak on some subject of other outside their immediate sphere of activity. The reason is not that they are bad speakers or orators. The reason is that they have no clear ideas upon the subject under discussion, and their language reflects that barrenness of ideas.

The words, tones and expressions of our less elevated citizens reflect a strength and vitality that is found in their lives and problems. The dull tones of the radio reflect a barrenness which is part of the intellectual life of a certain section of the community.

Yet it is probably the ambition of every nice parent who has purchased a radio set that his child should speak with the accents of a certain popular announcers. Which implies (forgive me if I am wrong) a strong tendency towards snobbishness.

Cannot people see that we may be losing a great deal when we lose our local "brawness," our crudity and our pleasant vulgarity? We are a homely people and our language is homely. We are our conceptions of music, art, drama, politics and speech are all darts; and beer and darts in the impressed upon us from an early voice of the B.B.C. are very in- age by the voice of Broadcasting House.

It is not the case that the radio in all countries speaks in the uninspiring tones of ours. In France, radio announcers speak real French. It is not divorced from the language of the French. This in itself is not a bad thing people, if all these things are good. Unfortunately they are not so.

Perhaps that is our mistake. Perhaps we have given the B.B.C. too free a hand in creating a language and a culture for us. Perhaps we should insist now on the radio being an expression of us and not us of it.

TOMMY'S
PUDDINGS

Thousands of Xmas puddings have been sent to soldiers and sailors on Overseas and Foreign Service. These pictures were taken at the Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes Bakery at Aldershot, where 50,000 puddings were despatched.

TIGHTER MONEY CONTROL

Berlin, Yesterday.
A new law to tighten up the existing regulations concerning the flight of capital from Germany, will, it is announced, come into force on January 1, 1939.

In view of Jewish emigration, the new enactment will render measures already adopted to prevent the flight of capital still more stringent. Under its provisions, no present may be sent or taken abroad without authorisation, and the same will hold good of furni-

ture and of other household articles.

Jews of German nationality, travelling abroad, will not be permitted to take anything with them apart from articles for their exclusive personal use.—Trans-Ocean.

Budapest, Yesterday.
Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, who is arriving tomorrow for "stag-shooting" with Admiral Horthy, is expected to stay in Hungary for three or four days.—Our Own Correspondent.

GARTER
REGALIA
SALE STOPPED

London, Yesterday.
The sale of the regalia of the Order of the Garter formerly belonging to the late Tsar's brother, the Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, which was advertised to take place, by order of the Grand Duke's widow, on Thursday, was stopped at the last minute. It is revealed, by intervention from high quarters.

FRANCO AIRMAN PRISONER
IS GRANDSON
OF DE LESSEPS

(By A Special Correspondent)

London, Yesterday.
COUNT de MORA, twenty-three-year-old grandson of the great French engineer, de Lesseps, builder of the Suez Canal, is a prisoner in a Barcelona jail for aviators. He was captured on the Ebro front while flying a Franco warplane.

This week, I visited him in prison. He told me in excellent English how during a fight above the lines in a Fiat plane, he had collided with a Government Mosca fighter, which had removed his rudder.

AMIR ABDULLAH
TO GIVE AWAY
SECRETS?

Jerusalem, Yesterday.

Great interest has been aroused in Arab circles both in Palestine and outside its borders by the announcement of impending publication by Amir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan of a "White Book" concerning the situation in the Near East.

It is expected that among the documents which will see the light of day on this occasion are several drawn from Amir Abdullah's own archives, as well as from those of his late father, King Hussein of the Hejaz, and dealing with British policy towards the Arabs.

ARAB LEADERSHIP HISTORY

Interest is enhanced by the fact that Amir Abdullah is known for his Anglophile tendencies, although events in the Near East have not afforded complete satisfaction to the claims of his family.

As reward for his services in connection with the Arab uprising against the Turks, organised during the World War by T. E. Lawrence, Hussein was proclaimed King of the Hejaz in 1917.

His eldest son, Feisal, became King of Syria for a short time in 1920, but was ejected by the French in July of the same year.

On the initiative of the British Government, Feisal was granted the State of Iraq in 1921 by way of compensation.

At the beginning of 1926, King Hussein was driven from the Hejaz by Ibn Saud.

STATE PAPERS

The frontier separating Saudi Arabia and Trans-Jordan, as traced by the British authorities when England recognised Trans-Jordan's independence under Abdullah in 1928, was for a long time a matter of dispute between those two countries, but a peaceful solution of the question was finally reached in February, 1938.

It is anticipated that the White

He jumped in his parachute and was taken prisoner. The Government plane landed safely, with the rudder still impaled on its wing.

Young Count de Mora told me that his father was a gentleman-in-waiting to the Queen of Spain in London and would I please tell his father that he was in good health.

He explained that his mother was the daughter of the engineer de Lesseps, who built the Suez Canal, but failed in his plan for constructing the Panama Canal.

SHARING A CELL

Mora, a tall, good-looking, fair-haired boy, was sharing a cell with two other aviators, a Spaniard and a German flight engineer who did not understand why he was fighting.

The German could speak no Spanish, so the other two attempted to learn German and held conversations with their German companion by means of a dictionary.

The air force officer who showed me the prison said that when Mora was first captured he refused to give his real name.

When asked why he had done this, he said: "I felt that if you discovered that I was an aristocrat you would shoot me at once."

PRISON FARE

Inspection of the jail cuisine for the prisoners showed that their fare was better than that of the foreign correspondents in Barcelona. Dinner consisted of prawns, soup and bread.

In another part of the prison I found an Italian twenty-four-year-old pilot who had been shot down and badly burned. He was in the prison hospital and seemed well cared for.

He told me that he had left Genoa for Ethiopia some time in the middle of June last. The ship carried both Italian and British Non-Intervention officers.

Another Italian pilot told a similar story. He did not like the war, so he deserted with his Fiat plane. He was well pleased with his jail and said: "It is much better than this war."

Book announced by Amir Abdullah will contain a number of hitherto unpublished documents relating to these and other problems of British policy in the Near East.—Trans-Ocean.

Tough Chicago
Goes Jittery

New York, Yesterday.

TOUGH Chicago has been jittery ever since it heard this week that a gun-crazy desperado and his twenty-year-old wife had come to town in their arsenal on wheels.

Parents kept their children indoors, and thousands of adults were ready to flee to cover as police searched the streets for Benny and Esther Dickson, kidnappers and robbers, who have terrorised three States.

In their car is known to be an assortment of rifles, revolvers, ammunition, bombs and dynamite sticks.

"They have enough in that car to kill scores," say the police. "and bullets fired at it might cause an explosion that would blow to pieces everyone around it."

Wanted in connection with \$4,000 bank robbery, Benny and Angel-Face Esther the other day kidnapped three civilians in various country places and held them as protection against firing police.

In one battle with police, both Benny and Esther were believed slightly wounded.

KIDNAPPED MAN'S LEAP
At one place they kidnapped Claude Mennis, garage attendant;

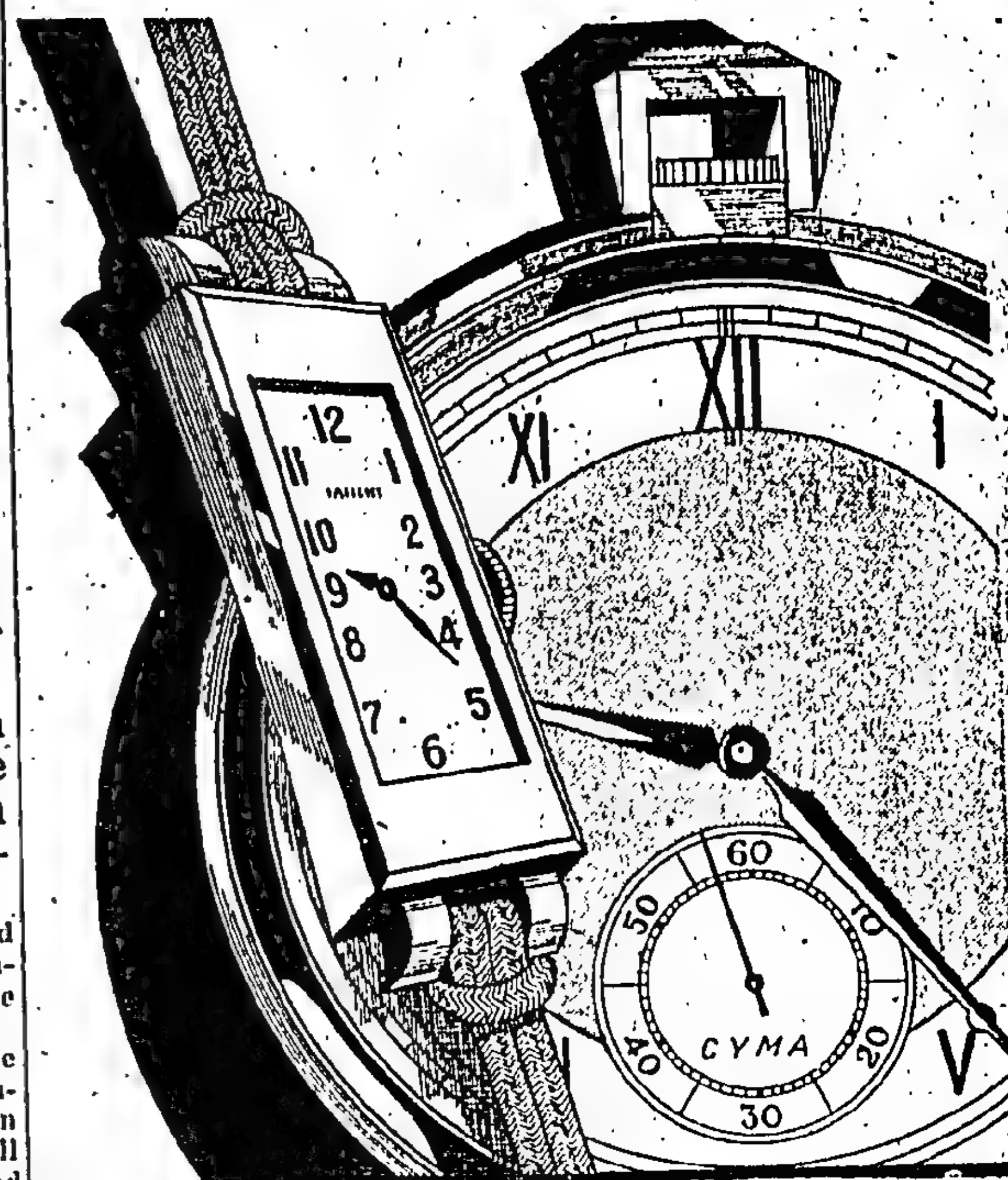
at another, Henry Mitty, a farmer. Then they seized a motorist, Louis Kerr, saying, "This car is ours now."

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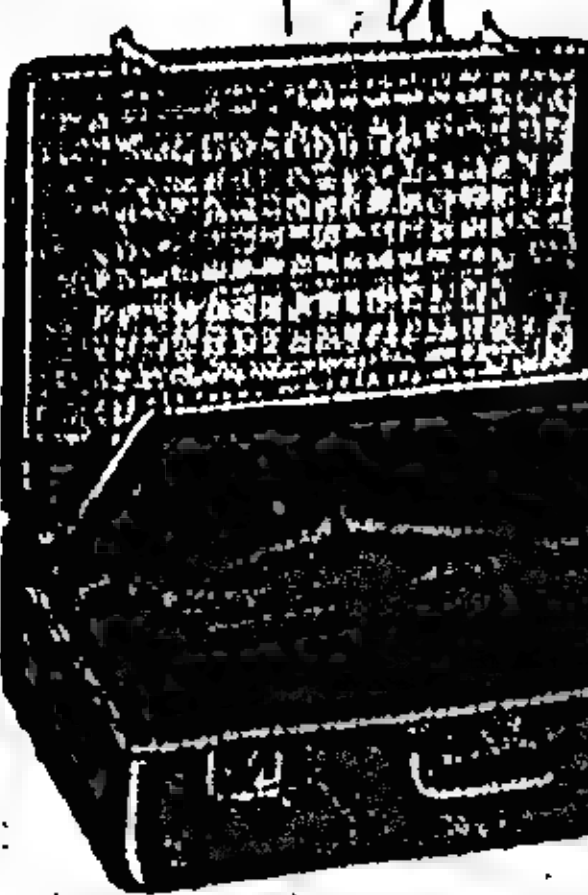
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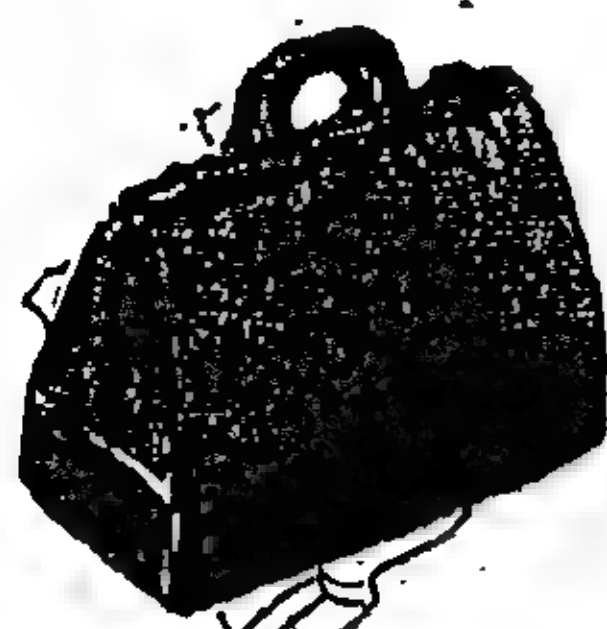
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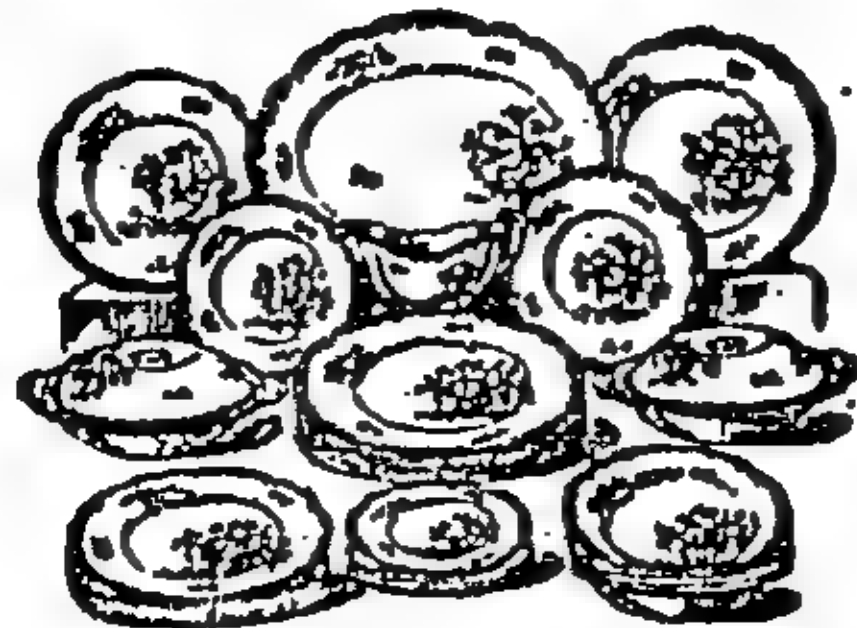
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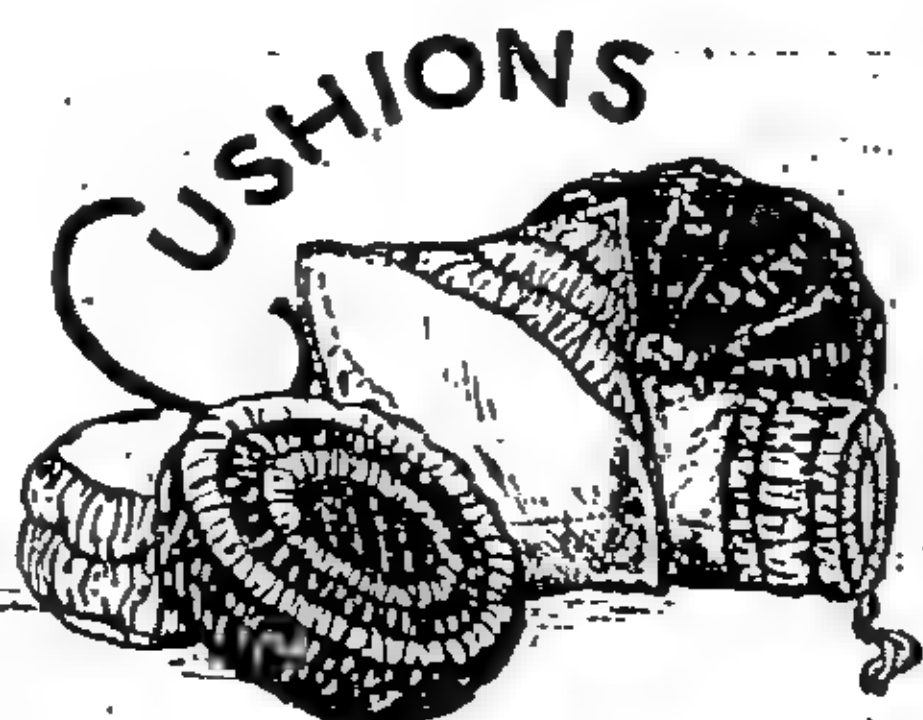
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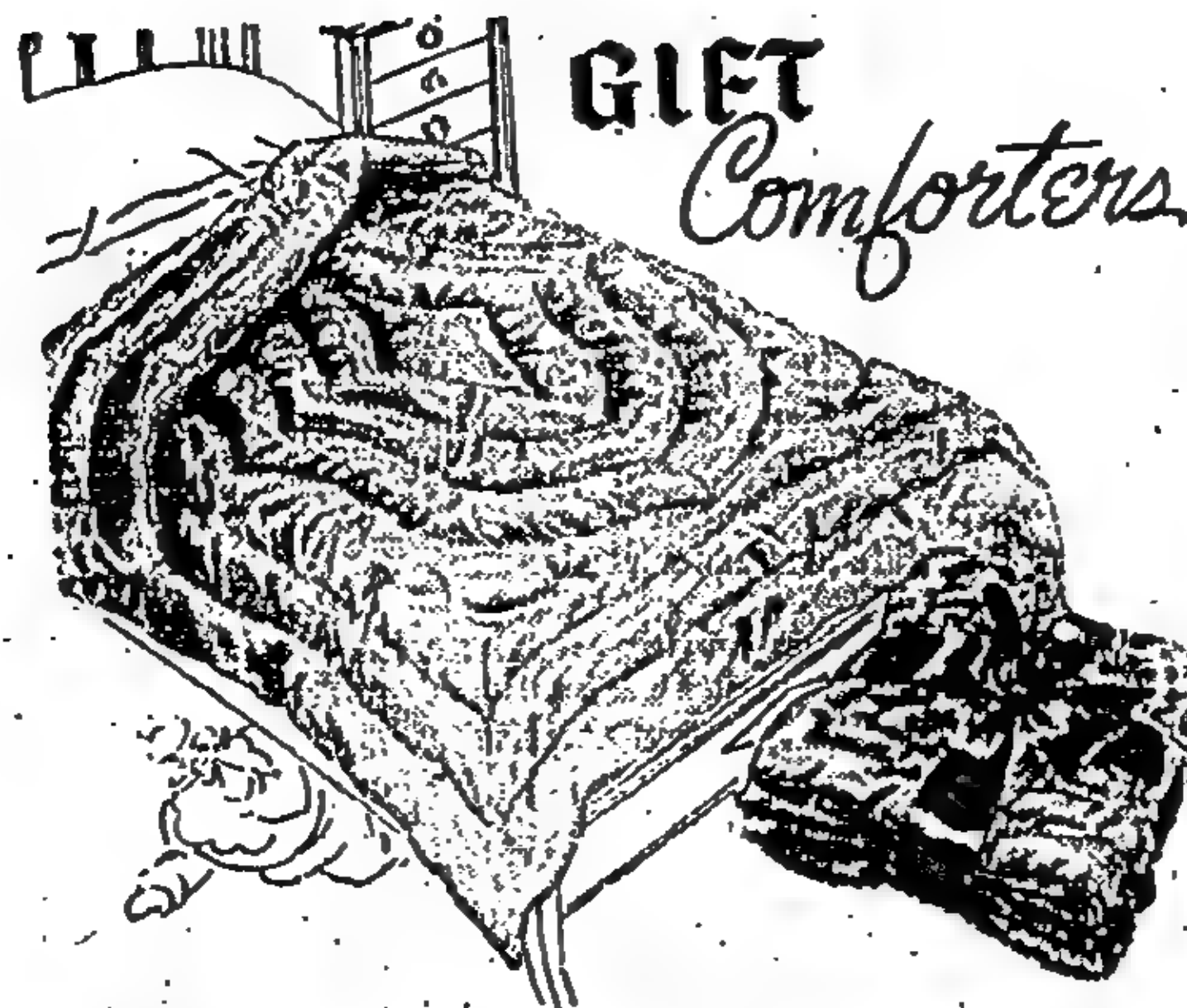
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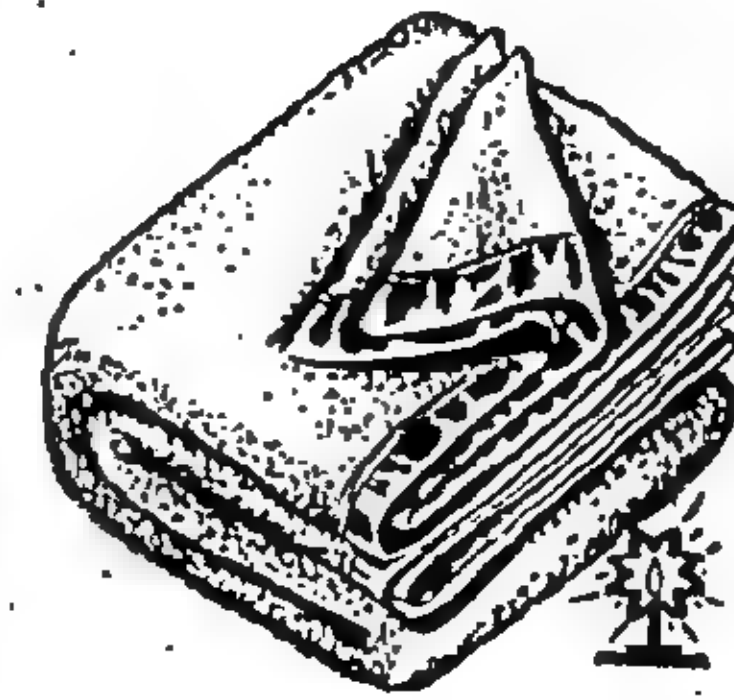
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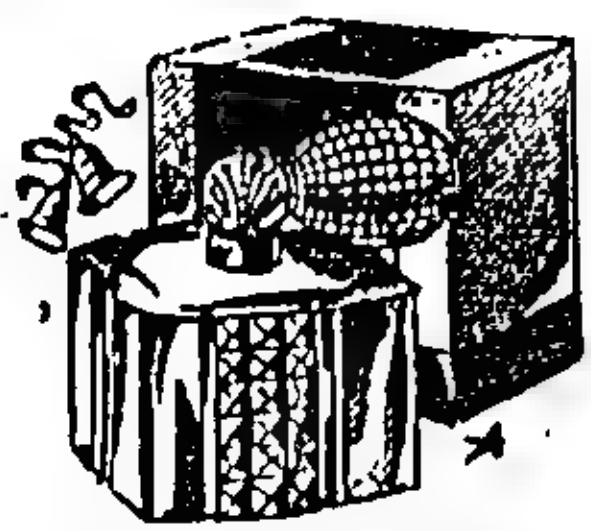
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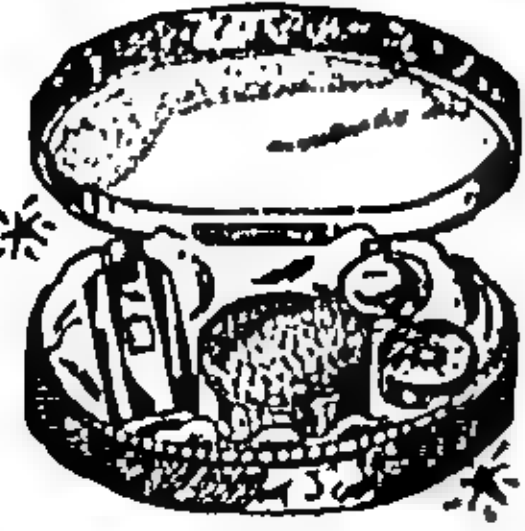
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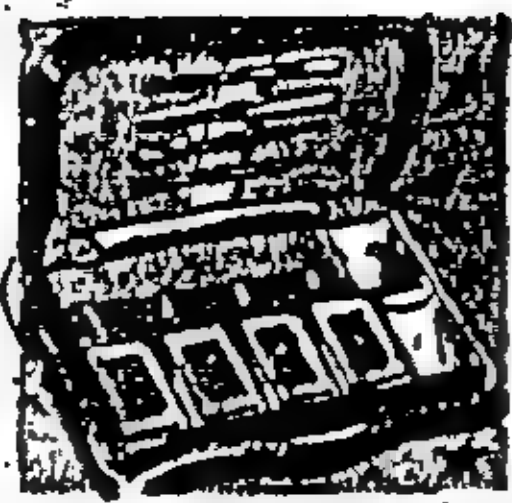
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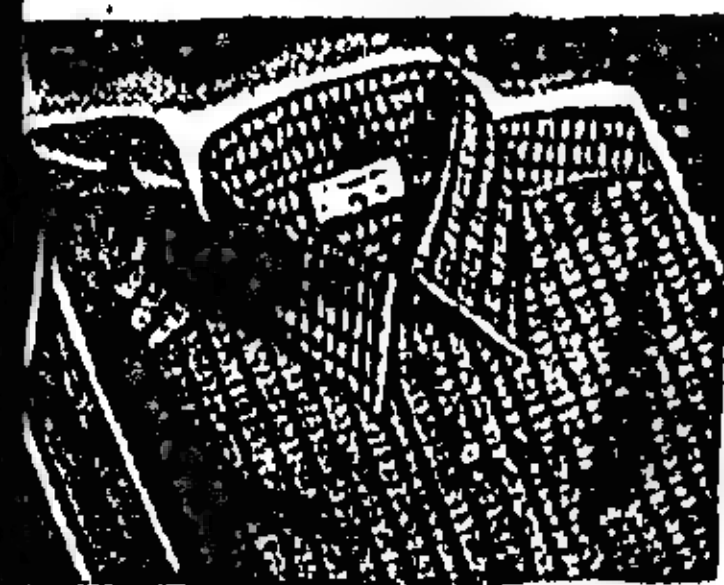
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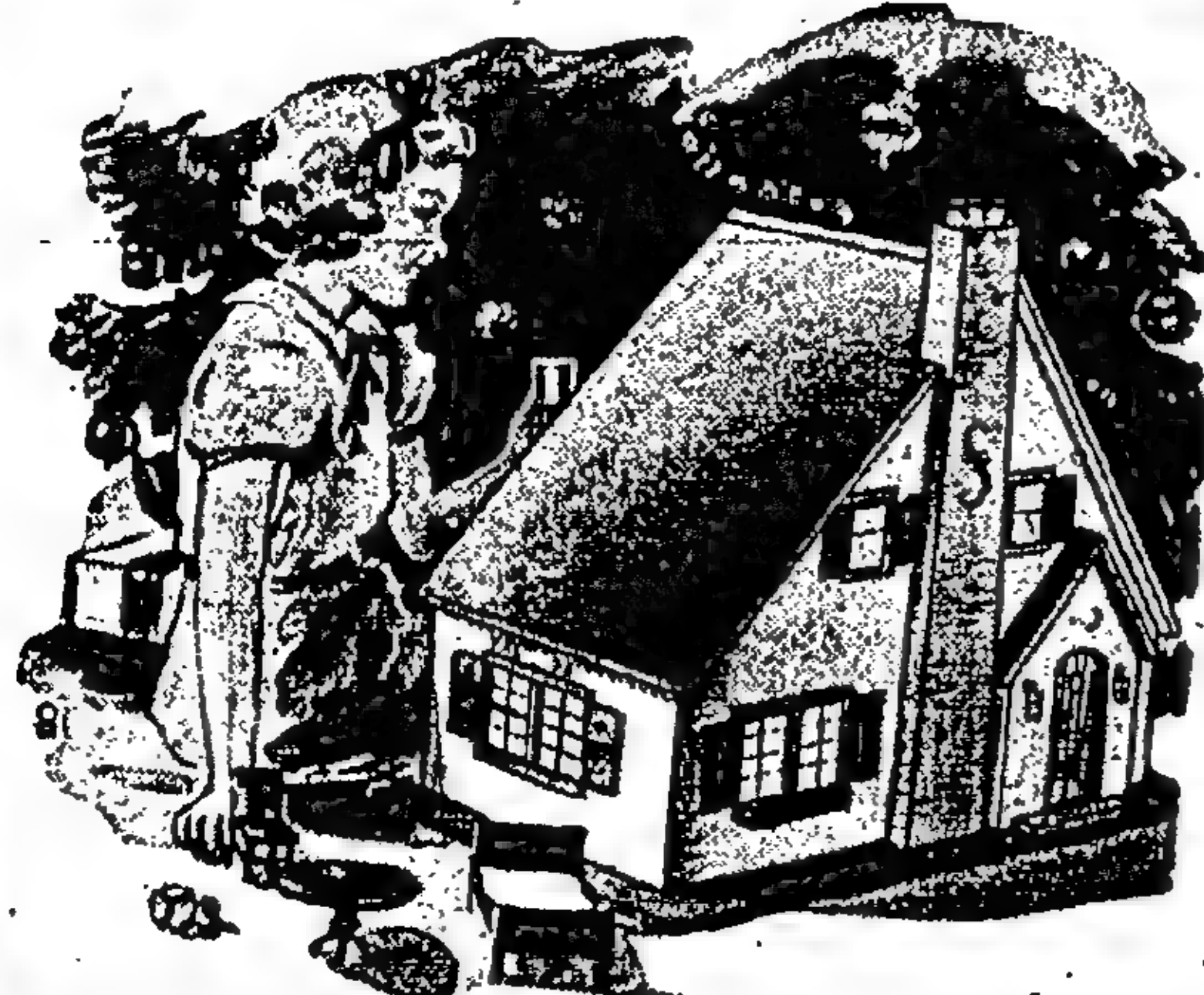
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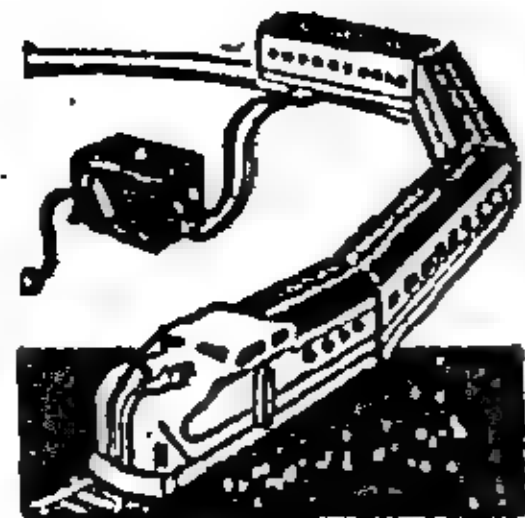
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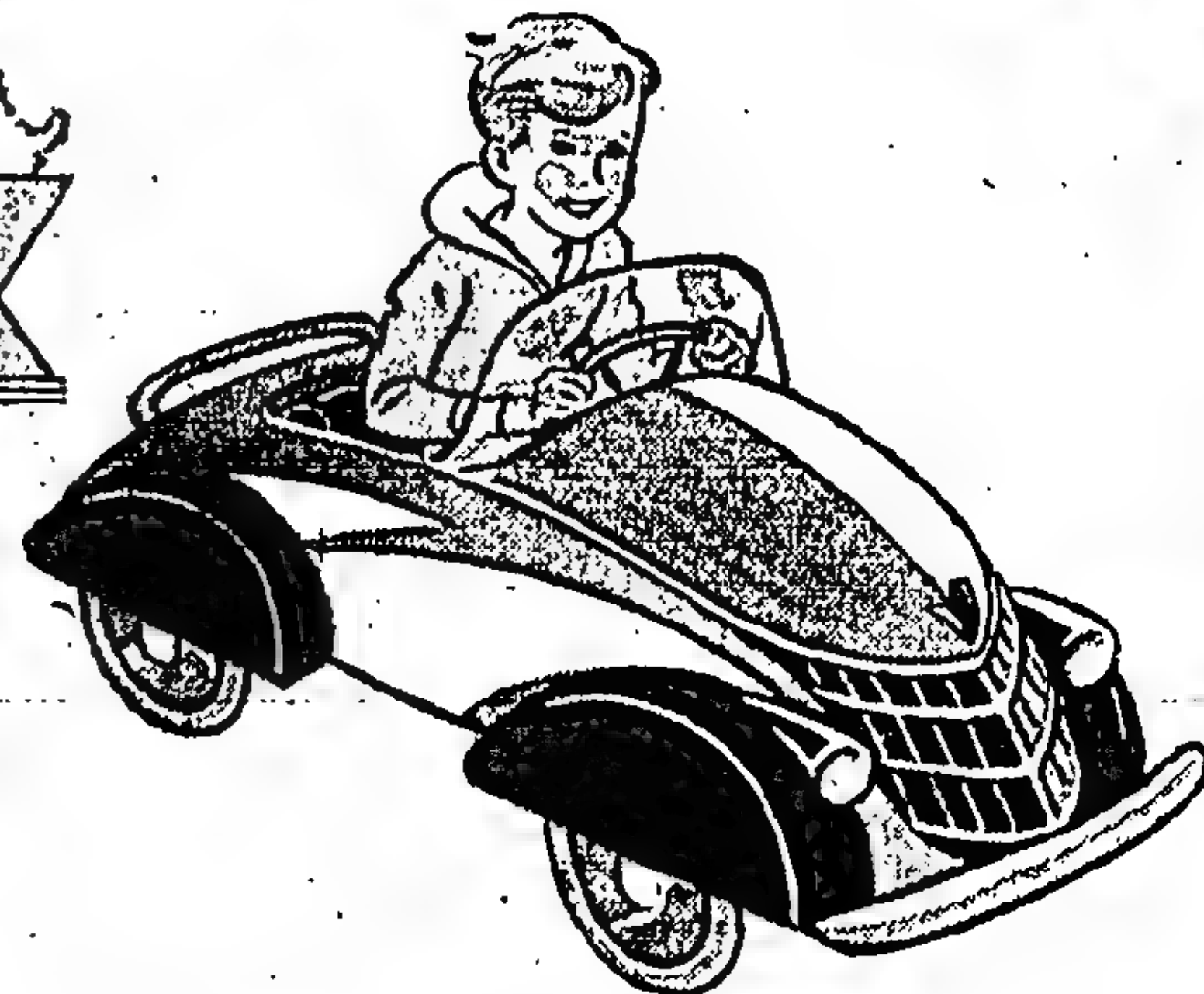
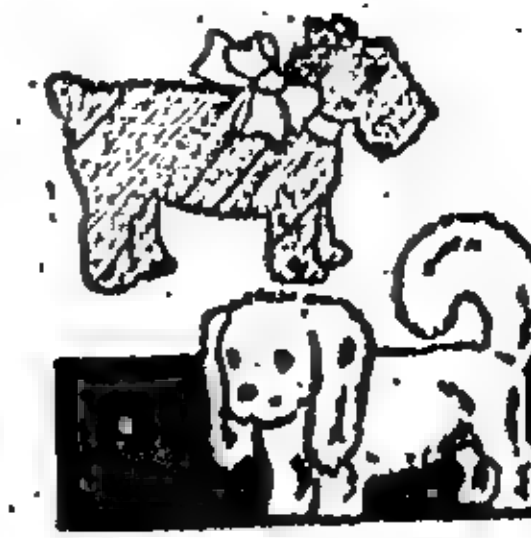
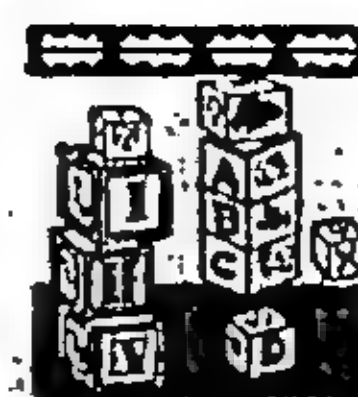
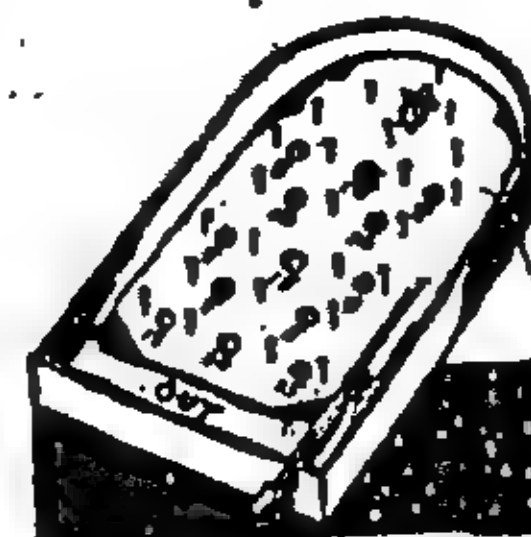
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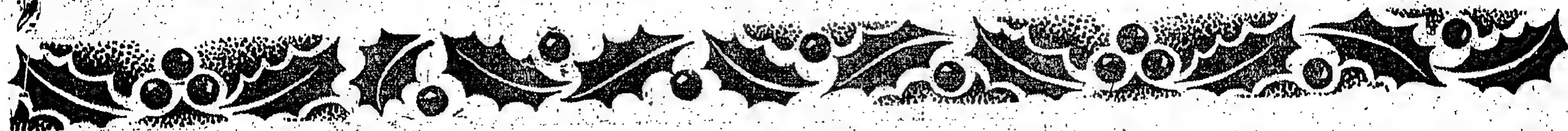
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Hitler To Spend Christmas Quietly

Berlin, Yesterday.

Herr Hitler, it is now stated, will probably not leave Berlin before Wednesday, when he is expected to proceed to Berchtesgaden for Christmas.

The Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, received the Polish Ambassador yesterday and "discussed questions of common interest to both countries."

Political circles believe that the Memel question was included in the subjects of the conversation.

It is pointed out that the result of the elections has clearly demonstrated the wishes of the population, and that the inhabitants are quietly waiting for developments.

Political circles stress the interest of the Reich in peaceful and orderly development.

A leading article on the Memel question in the Berliner Tageblatt is headed "Six Weeks' Time" and indicates that a decision concerning the

future of Memeland will not be reached before the end of January. The article emphasises that responsible quarters in Kaunas are fully alive to the "inevitable consequences" of recent developments in Memel.

OFFICIAL FIGURES

Official announcement of the result of the election was made yesterday afternoon.

Total of votes recorded was 2,095,206, of which 1,826,621 were cast for the German list and 268,585 for the Lithuanian lists.

On the basis of these figures, 25 seats go to the German list and 3 to the other lists. Since, however, the Lithuanian lists had a remainder of 51,841 and the German list one of 20,421, the former were allotted an additional seat, making four in all.

MEMEL CELEBRATIONS

Celebration of the German victory began throughout Memeland as soon as the final result was announced.

Sport and gymnastic clubs, as well as civilians, formed up everywhere and accompanied by immense crowds started torchlight processions through the streets of all towns and villages, singing songs extolling freedom for Memeland and breaking into cries of "We want to go home to the Reich!"

When night came on, fires were lighted along the frontier separating Lithuanian and Memel territory.

In Heydekrug, Dr. Neumann-leader of the Memel Germans, took the march-past.

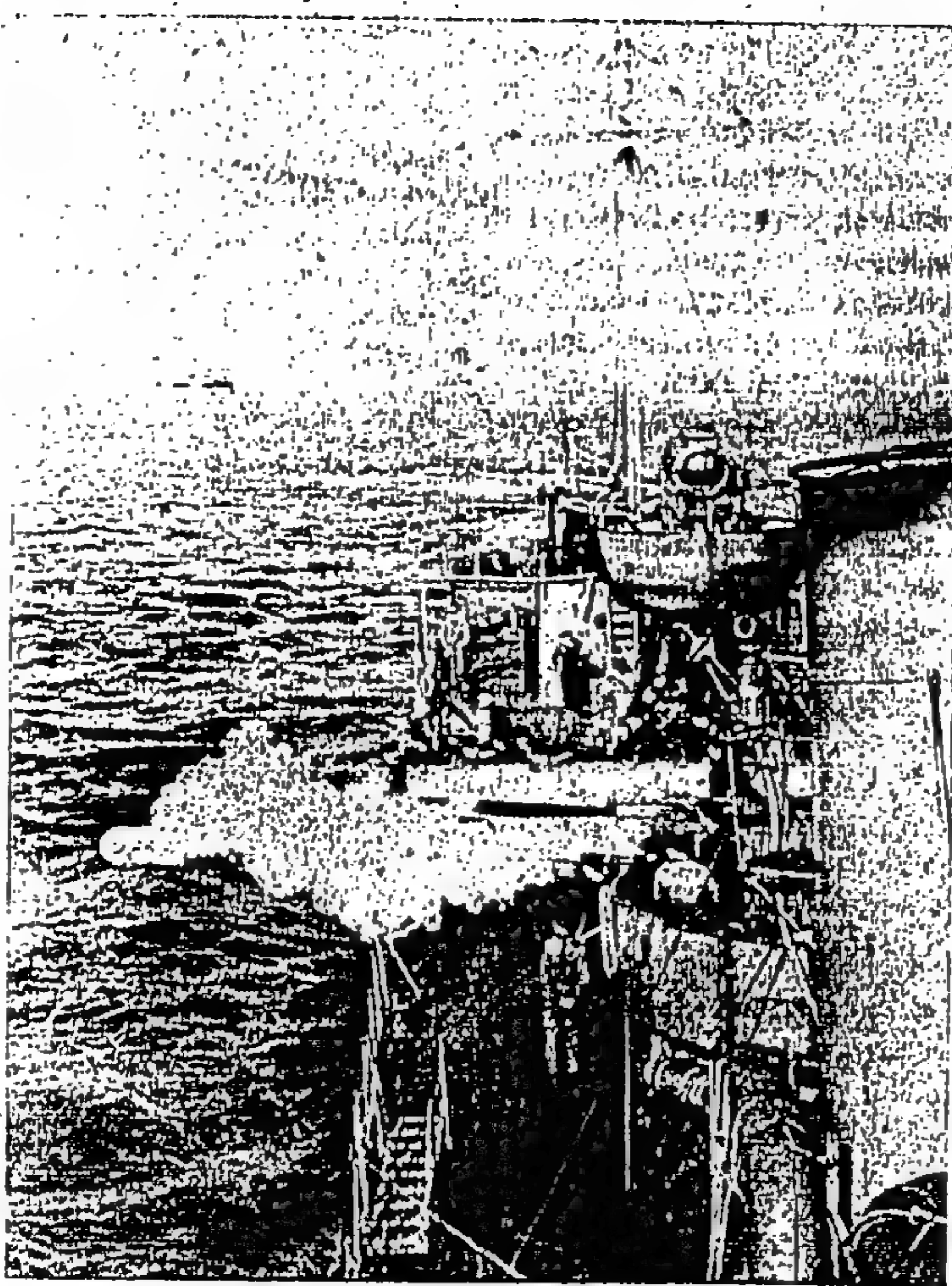
Dr. Neumann then returned to Memel where a march-past was held while all bells in the city were pealed.

Lithuanian soldiery kept to their barracks. The Lithuanian Government had taken no measures to hamper or prevent torchlight processions.

TELL THE WORLD

Dr. Neumann declared last night:

"You can see for yourself what this population wants. I do not need to make any kind of demands but can wait to see how others react to these demonstrations. One does not need to use many more words to prove that this Memeland population has only one wish namely to show its devotion to its German fatherland. Tell that to the world!" — Trans-Ocean.



This striking picture was taken in a destroyer during torpedo practice. During practice the torpedoes, worth £2,000 each, are fired from the tubes and later recovered from the sea by naval men in boats. Photo shows a torpedo leaving the tube while the torpedo crew stand by anxiously to see if their aim is correct. (Passed By Admiralty).

EIGHT DIE IN CUSTOMS HOUSE FIRE

Alexandria, Yesterday.

Eight customs officials were burnt to death in a fire which gutted a wing of the customs building here yesterday.

Eighteen cases of cinema films were destroyed in the fire, which it is thought started when a spark ignited one of the films when it was being examined by officials. — Reuter.

HUNGARY CRIES "QUITS"

Prague, Yesterday.

Count Csaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister, is reported to have informed the Czechoslovak Government through diplomatic channels of the desire of his government to maintain cordial relations with Czechoslovakia.

Steps will be taken to see that nothing further in the way of hostile comment on Czechoslovak affairs appears in Hungarian newspapers. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH VOLUNTEER AIR OBSERVERS

London, Yesterday.

Speaking on the volunteer Observer Corps, Sir Edward Campbell M. P. said that it was a typically British institution organised on a voluntary basis and attracting members by what it offered for giving responsible national service in times of emergency.

Expansion of the Corps had kept pace with the ever-increasing range of modern bombers.

The major part of the country was now generally covered by a network of posts.

During the crisis the Observer Corps were at their posts, and the Intelligence Service was functioning within some two to three hours of the order being given to call them out.

Sir Edward Campbell declared: "The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, said on November 10 that another body of men whom we ought to note 'this afternoon is the Observer Corps, who did great service during the recent crisis."

FINE RESPONSE

"They made a very fine response indeed, and it is a great accession to our strength that their number now stands at over 13,000, an increase of some 6,000 since April last."

The Air Ministry, continued Sir Edward Campbell, were now devising measures which would increase the amenities of the Corps and facilities for interesting training. — British Wireless.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE LOAN OVER-SUBSCRIBED

Canberra, Yesterday.

It is announced that the £ (Australian) 71,700,000 Conversion Loan has been fully subscribed.

Except for £4,000,000 of the new money required for defence works the Loan was for the conversion of maturing internal loans.

Issued at par the Loan carries an interest rate of £3.17.3 per annum, and is redeemable in 1954, though the Treasury can repay in 1952. — Reuter.

ANOTHER NUFFIELD BENEFACTION

LONDON, YESTERDAY. LORD NUFFIELD YESTERDAY PRESENTED A CHECK FOR £31,393 TO THE WINGFIELD-MORRIS ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL AT OXFORD — THE MONEY REQUIRED FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

The gift is another example of Lord Nuffield's great interest in the development of the orthopaedic services of Great Britain and the Empire.

His benefactions to this cause approximate £500,000, made up of gifts to hospitals in this country and in the Dominions of Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

He has taken a personal interest in the Wingfield Morris Hospital, to which his gifts total, with his latest donation, £140,000. — British Wireless.

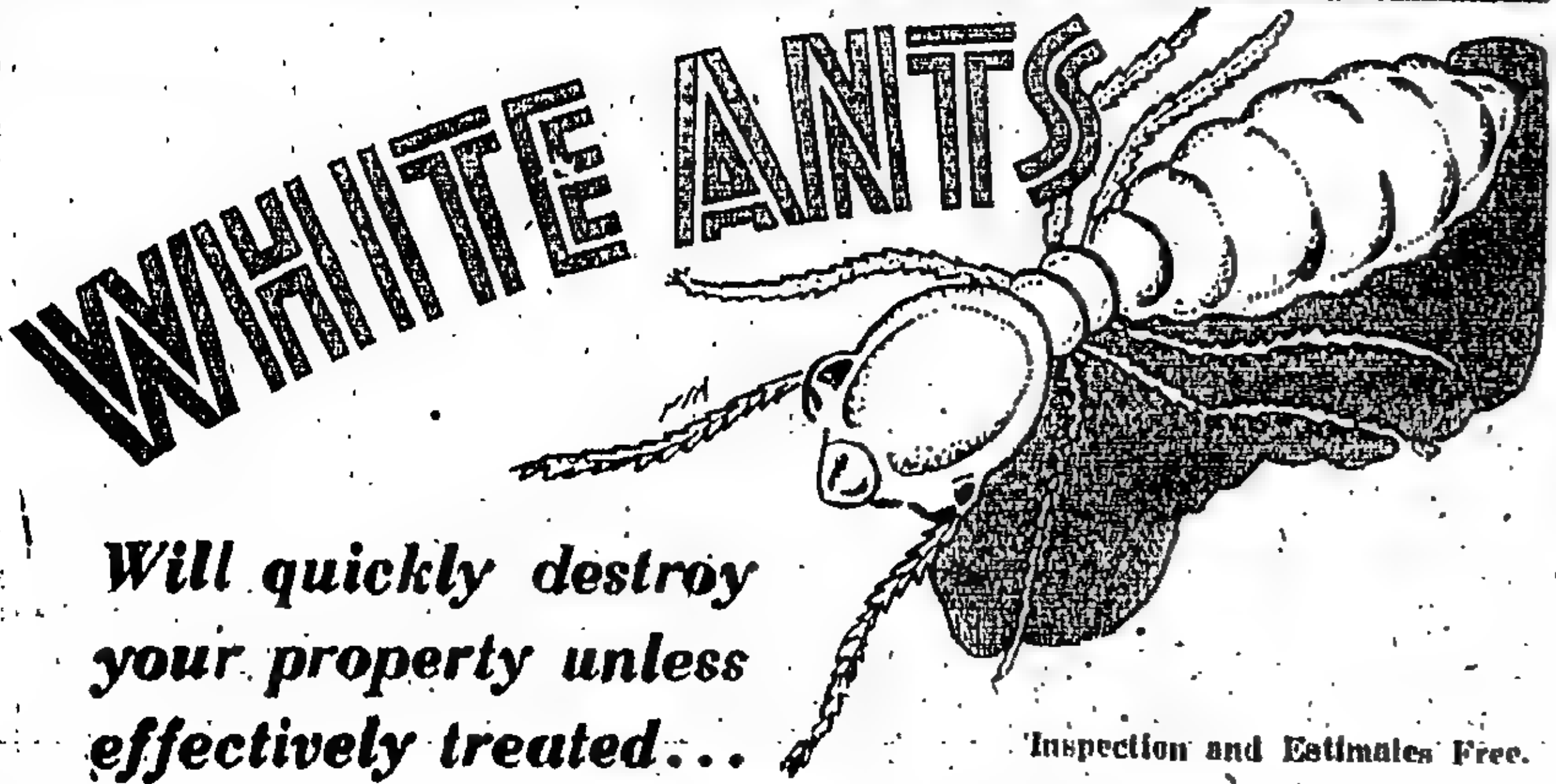
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Berlin, Yesterday.

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LISTERINE TOOTH PASTE



M. Flandin, whose communications with Herr Hitler caused a sensation in France, here discusses Franco-Italian relations

FRANCE AND ITALY

M. Francois-Poncet, the new ambassador of France in Rome, has presented his credentials to the King of Italy and Emperor of Abyssinia. This re-establishes normal diplomatic relations between the French Republic and the Quirinal. Thus, the unfortunate conflict, born of the doctrines of Geneva, which has had such a deplorable effect upon the Franco-Italian relations, is now terminated by a de facto recognition of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia. On the other hand, the nomination of an Italian ambassador in Paris would also appear to mark the conclusion of this extremely regrettable phase of the relations between the two Latin nations.

But those who believe that the atmosphere is that of confidence and friendship that prevailed between the two nations immediately after the Rome agreements of January 1935 and the Stresa agreements of April of the same year make a great mistake.

History never repeats itself. Things have changed since 1935—both for Italy and for France. Germany has occupied the Brenner frontier. Whereas the Stresa agreements provided for close co-operation between the Italian and French armies for the independence and the integrity of the

Austrian State—as corresponding at that moment to an identical conception of the Italian and French interests in Central Europe, Italy has been obliged to accept the disappearance of Austria and the establishment of a powerful neighbour, even more powerful than the former Austro-Hungarian monarchy—on her Alpine frontier. In exchange, it is true, Italy benefits by the existence of the Rome-Berlin axis, whose solidity and advantages are celebrated in a daily propaganda which tends to convince both Germans and Italians of the present and future solidarity of the interests of the two countries. And it would hardly be for a third party to substitute itself to those concerned for the appreciation of the new diplomatic and political positions of the Italian and German Governments.

NEW FACTOR

Another new factor—in the international situation since 1936 is Italy's intervention in Spain and its consequences. The fascist Government, appreciating the danger for all Mediterranean States of the establishment of bolshevism in the Iberian peninsula, has taken part against the Government of Madrid, Valencia and Barcelona. In certain circles, in particular, in France and England, where a kind of advanced liberalism is the rule, it is good form to allege that Mr. Negrin's Government is no longer revolutionary and is inspired purely and simply by the traditions of a democratic republic. But it must not be overlooked that 17 bishops and 6000 priests—whose names are known to the ecclesiastical authorities—have been put to

freedom of the Mediterranean, as important for Italy as for England and France, can be assured of a bolshevist government, in obvious collusion with Moscow and therefore absolutely antifascist, were to dominate from Barcelona to Gibraltar, over the Balearic Islands and on the coast of Spanish Morocco?

More than the attitude adopted by Germany, the only country having refused to apply sanctions to Italy during the Abyssinian war, the joint interests of fascism and national socialism—so violently opposed throughout Europe by the Komintern and its allies—have contributed to the establishment of the Rome-Berlin axis. And the responsibility for the misunderstanding between Rome and Paris and the rupture of the relations between the two countries probably lies more with the antifascist policy pursued by the People's Front in France than with the participation of the Republic in the Geneva sanctions against Italy. This is proved by the fact that Italy has re-established an atmosphere of relaxation and of collaboration with Great Britain, her principal adversary in the Abyssinian affair, much more speedily and easily than will probably be the case with France, notwithstanding the fact that the moderating action of the latter in the application of the sanctions rendered the greatest services to Italy and largely facilitated the constitution of the Italian Empire of Abyssinia.

Thus the Franco-Italian reconciliation—unfortunately, it is necessary to use this word—stands or falls with the settlement of the Spanish conflict. This is to say that the problem is governed by French political tendencies. If it were merely a question of French foreign policy, the question would

soon be settled, for it would suffice to note that the Italian Government has already made England formal statements concerning the integrity of the home and colonial territories of Spain, and that the Spanish nationalist Government has also stated that it refuses to alienate its political and economic independence to the advantage of any party. But this is all that France desires. She has invariably respected and advocated Spain's total independence of any foreign penetration. Unfortunately, the People's Front has never concealed its sympathy for the Valencia Government and has never despaired of its final success. So long as such a definite opposition continues to exist between the French and Italian Governments in respect of the Spanish conflict, it is probable that the reconciliation between France and Italy will be merely on the surface.

But the permanent community of interests which brought France and Italy together still subsists. Neither France nor Italy could accept a German overlordship in Europe.

SINCE STRESA

Another factor which, since Stresa, may have influenced French policy, creates a further reason for an understanding between France and Italy. This is the disappearance of the last direct cause of conflict between France and Germany by the recognition of the German re-occupation of the Rhineland in 1936. An anti-German policy on the part of France might have deterred Italy whose economic relations with Germany have always been very important and whose interests

in Central Europe call for some measure of collaboration with Germany, falling which the Germano-Italian conflict would subside in a latent state. From the latter viewpoint, the Munich agreements have paved the way for new prospects of European collaboration between the four great Powers which should facilitate the Franco-Italian reconciliation.

But, to achieve this end, a revision of the French policy in Spain is indispensable; for Italy she must revise certain mistaken judgments with regard to France.

In certain Roman circles, it is alleged that France is on the eve of her decline. It is good form to proclaim everywhere that France is completely degenerated, and from this to hypothetical plans for the partition of France is but a small step for those who are cursed with too much imagination. If this state of mind were to prevail in fascist official circles, it would be necessary to give up any idea of a Franco-Italian rapprochement for some time. The recent and deplorable incidents at Tunis and Corsica for Italy, have called forth a righteous indignation on the part of the whole French nation. Even those who are definitely friendly to Italy were profoundly shocked. If certain members of the Italian Government believe that the time has arrived when France can be intimidated by further claims, they are greatly mistaken. We have no debts to pay to Italy, and the relations between France and success.

Since the events of Austria and Czechoslovakia, France is no longer plaintiff to Italy's defence in Central and Eastern Europe. And the mutual guarantee of the home frontiers of France and Italy may one day, if not yet, be of more interest to Italy than France. This question, moreover, is not yet ripe, and the Duce has so often affirmed that Italy can look after herself that it seems unnecessary to attack the problem from this angle.

It is possible to conclude that if the rapprochement between Rome and Paris were to depend upon cooler relations between Rome and Berlin, it would have no chance of success.



Mr. George Robey, famous stage and radio comedian, was married on November 30 to Miss Blanche Little, the theatrical producer, at the Marylebone Register Office. Photo shows Mr. George Robey with his bride after the wedding.

Italy can only be founded on reciprocal, friendly and loyal recognition of equality of interests and predominance over the earlier conceptions of international policy, *tus quo* and can only tend towards an assured neutrality, in agreement with England, of the Mediterranean as the essential route of the three Empires. But, very fortunately, the new tendencies of French policy, closely associated with those of the British Government which Mr. Neville Chamberlain, that great artisan of European peace will undoubtedly re-affirm in his projected January interview with Mussolini, allow us to hope that, within the wider scope of collaboration between the four great European Powers, France and Italy will rapidly find a basis for mutual material spiritual collaboration in conformity not only with historical traditions but with the geographical interests of two great Empires whose interests are identical.

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Midnight Wait For Mystery Girl Killed Edgar Wallace

Duchess Of Kent May Wear Woolen Hose

THE Duchess of Kent may be asked to set a fashion by wearing woolen stockings in Australia.

This would boost Australia's most important industry when the Duchess goes out next year as the wife of the Governor-General.

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The suggestion was made and discussed at a Sydney conference of the Country Women's Association.

It was urged that in winter the women of Australia should wear wool instead of silk, and have the stockings in patterns similar to golf stockings worn by men.

One official of the association said it would be a nice gesture if the association presented the Duchess with a pair of woolen stockings with the royal crest embroidered in the pattern.

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But the suggestion has met with a hostile reception from Sydney women.

Mrs. Moore Cosgrave, wife of Canada's Trade Commissioner, called it absurd. "Woolen stockings are frumpy," she said. "I can't imagine people going back to mid-Victorian times."



The Duchess's silk stockings.

Another woman said that while the idea might be good for Australia's basic industry, she thought it was an insult to the Duchess.

A third said that the Duchess was not coming to Australia to be treated as an advertisement for Australian wool.

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Thousands of women and girls in the United States have been wearing stockings made of very fine wool which can be mistaken for silk at a short distance, since the beginning of the anti-Japanese boycott campaign. At some universities girl pickets were posted to see that fellow-undergraduates discarded their silk stockings.

DAUGHTER-IN-LAW REVEALS A SECRET

Edgar Wallace, the world's greatest writer of thrillers, died in Hollywood in 1932. The world was told he died of a chill. But now in "Edgar Wallace" (Heinemann: 10s. 6d.), a brutally-frank biography, Margaret Lane, his daughter-in-law, reveals that he caught this chill waiting up all night for a girl who never arrived.

EDGAR WENT TO HOLLYWOOD TO WRITE SCRIPTS. WHEN HE WAS THERE HE MET A YOUNG ACTRESS AT ONE OR TWO PARTIES.

He liked her, and finally invited her to visit him. That Sunday afternoon he waited anxiously for her.

She rang up to say she would only be able to look in for a few minutes after dinner. She did not come.

Wallace grew more and more depressed.

Vigil In Dressing Gown
Shortly before midnight his valet found Wallace in a silk dressing-gown pacing up and down outside the house, still waiting for the girl who did not come.

It was bitterly cold. Next morning Wallace was seriously ill. The doctor discovered that he was suffering from diabetes, brought on by the innumerable gallons of sweet tea he always drank, but that his night's watching for the girl who never came had given him double pneumonia. He died two days later.

It was found that he owed £140,000 and that his ready assets were practically nil. The wheel

had come full circle. He was born a pauper and died in debt.

For he was the illegitimate son of Polly Richards a third-rate actress.

She fell in love with a young man, Richard Horatio Edgar Marriott. She did not marry him, but soon found that she was going to have a baby.

Never Forgave Her

When the baby came, she had to go back to her work on the stage. So she paid five shillings a week to a fish porter's wife down in Greenwich to look after the baby, who was given the name of Richard Horatio Edgar Wallace.

Fifty years later this baby lost £1,000 in a day's racing without turning a hair.

Yet, although riches poured in on him later, he never forgave his mother for her desertion.

Years later she visited him as a poor, elderly woman.

The meeting of mother and son was short. She was told she could expect nothing from him. She never made another appeal and died penniless and alone in Bradford Infirmary.

Young Wallace would do anything to earn money. He sold papers on the streets—and was later a ship's cook, a soldier, and then a journalist.

After years of journalism he turned to thriller-writing.

He drank thirty cups of tea a day, chain-smoked, and had a glass screen built round his desk to keep all draughts away. Often he worked through the night, paying a special servant to stay awake to make him his tea.



Photo taken after the wedding at the Registry, between Mr. Tse Kai-tung, LL.B. and Miss Alice Chan. The bride is the elder daughter of Mr. Chan Lan Kwan, a well-known local merchant. The bridegroom is the younger brother of Mr. Tse Tak-hong, a prominent business man of Canton.

BADGERS

A LONG correspondence has been going on in "The Times" as to whether the eerie cry of the badger is due to pain, fear, anger, or what. The latest letter states with authority that it is a love-call.

A discussion has also been going on among badgers as to whether the weird noises issuing from a box in a human's hair are due to pain, fear, anger, or what.

An old badger who knows the ways of our species has stated with authority that the noises are mostly love-songs. "One touch of nature," he adds, "makes the whole night hideous."

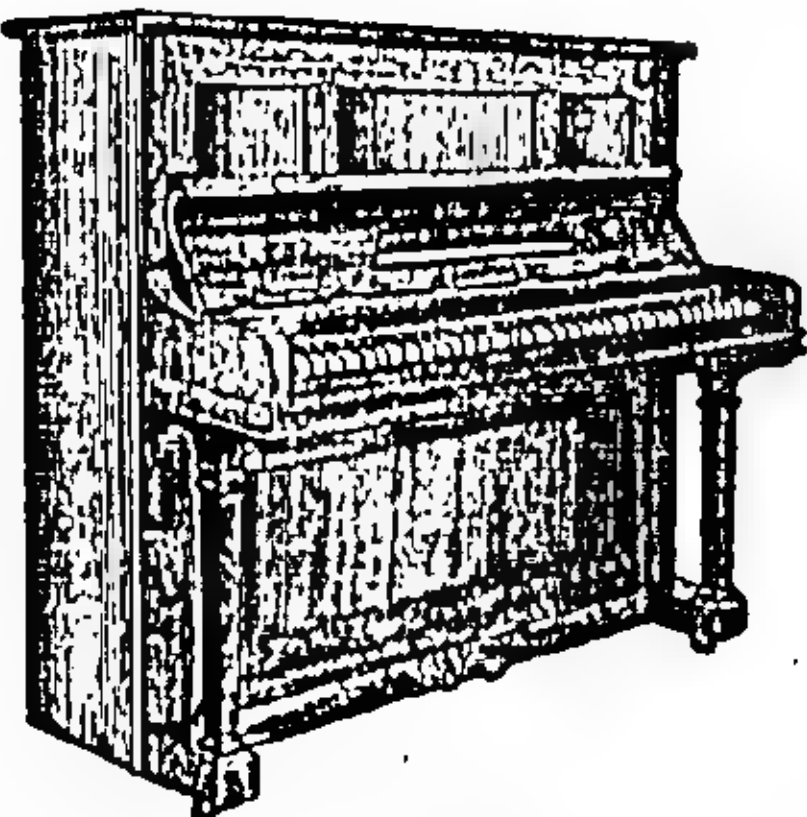


Lyemunstruck

Lyemunstruck is a local disease experienced by yachtsmen when they have been sailing all day, the wind has dropped, the hour is midnight, the tide is against them, and they have run out of H.B. BEER.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

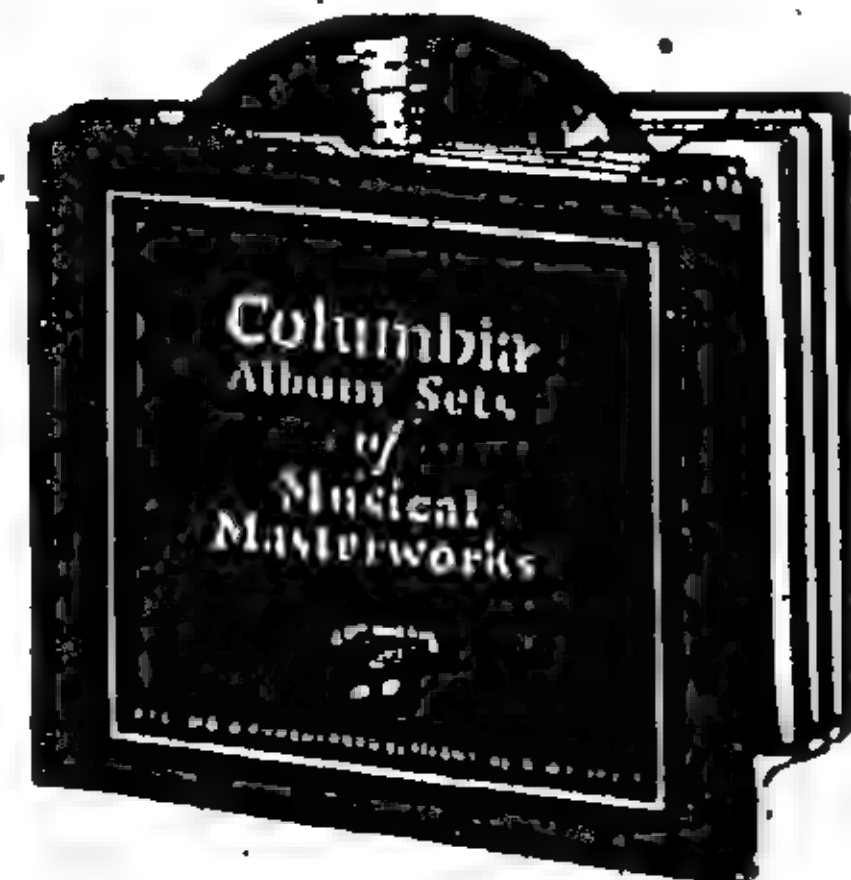
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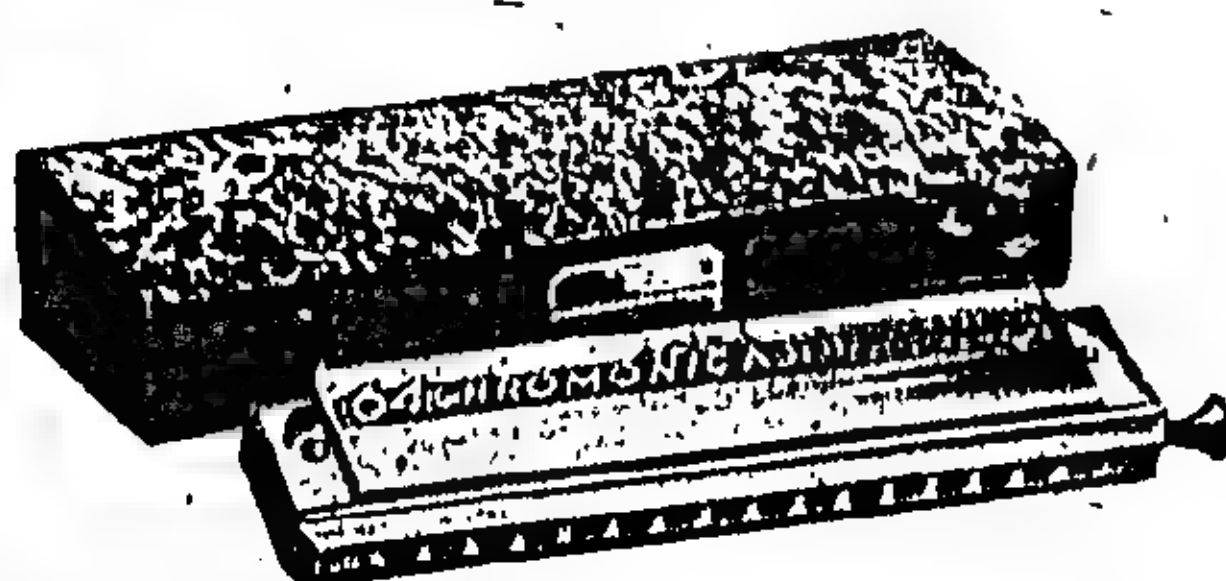
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"My own soul writhes at the simple secrets of my heart I am pouring out on paper..."

DEAR Flossie,
I don't know why I am wasting a perfectly good afternoon writing to you. But I promised and, as one gal to another, I hope the pearls of wisdom do you some good.

In the first place—harking back to that monumental week-end we spent at Fanling—I didn't grab your gent. It was a dull Saturday afternoon and the Light of My Life was in the Gripps Bar pretending he was a sponge. I needed something to pass the time of day with and there was your Bob.

Your Bob—I never did want him, and you can have him back tied with a little blue ribbon. I wish to goodness you would put on some alluring clothes and grab him, because if he calls me up once more and threatens to commit suicide, I shall go insane.

Anyway, I don't play for keeps. But between the time I caught you weeping and the time Bob passed out, I promised I would write to you and tell you how to hold your man. So here I am.

HAVE A NEW HAIR-DO

First of all, let's start from the very top and work down. Your hair—now, I know you weren't gifted with naturally curly

locks, but that is no reason why you should go about looking like a mistress of discipline. Even Garbo curls the ends! So I advocate a quick trip to the Ahana Beauty Parlor where permanents are done the Sommer's Natural Machine way. This marvellous instrument requires no wiring and gives out no heat. It is a splendid method to use if you want to avoid that "kinky" look, and a special oil process insures a wave that is softer and more natural.

You might also ask the make-up expert at Max Factor's Booth in Whiteaways to give your face the once over. My dear, I don't want to be rude, but it always reminds me of the map of China. In the battle of life, you seem to have added quite a few trenches! At this headquarters of beauty faces are made up by a qualified beautician who can help you select the right shades in powder, rouge and lipstick, and will use Max Factor's Make-up of the Stars to demonstrate her point. A change in make-up will do you a lot of good.

PERSONAL DAININESS

Another thing. Far be it from me to suggest that you are careless about your personal daintiness, but even the most careful gal can slip up sometimes. The pity of it is that when you offend, even your best friend won't tell you. But then I never pretended to be your best friend.

So I give you here some hints on personal daintiness that I think you ought to know about.

To start with, someone ups and designs a miniature razor known as Razzette, made especially for women. It is practically doll's size, but it works very efficiently, and it is designed for dry shaving, which makes it very convenient when you are in a hurry.

Razzette fits into a pear-shaped plastic case that takes only a minute space in your handbag. You get it at Watson's Hong Kong Dispensary and at the same time buy yourself some perfumed sachets to tuck away among your clothes. Buy perfumed flowers to wear in your hair. At Watson's each corsage is accompanied by a tube of suitable perfume to keep the flowers forever fragrant.

BE FRAGRANT

This matter of smelling sweet—I can't stress the point too strongly, so I direct you to The Pharmacy where they have some of the nicest luxuries of the bath.

Any one who washes merely to get clean these days misses one of the sylvan chances of a lifetime. Frothed with foam, buoyed with bubbles, or freighted with fragrance, your bath water should surround you with a palpable sense of luxury.

Some particularly beautiful bathing may be done with Dubarry's Bath Crystals, and it is certainly one of the handsomest accessories to grace a bathroom. Besides giving a beautiful fragrance to your bath water, your self, and your bathroom, it is soothing and refreshing. When you use the huge, satiny

Vanessa Toilet Soap with it, the luxury of it all is enhanced still further. At The Pharmacy these Dubarry toiletries come in attractive sets which include bath salts, talcum powder, soap and eau-de-cologne.

ENCHANTING PERFUMES

Now—I have always maintained that there is nothing like perfume to get a man interested. Perhaps that's your trouble, Flossie. So why not try a spot—behind your ears—and see what effect it will have on Bob?

I suggest that you try Lenthier's new perfumes A Blentot and Anticipation. You recognise the first by its guy Bal Masque box which is among Lenthier's most decorative contributions to dressing-rooms. It has a spicy, lifting, gay scent with deceptive depth and has been specially created for day-time use. Anticipation, on the other hand, is heavier, more mysterious and calculated to stir the hardest heart. Or you might try some of the old favourites Tweed, Gardinia, Shanghai, Miracle, Numero 12 and Lotus D'Or.

There are lots of women who like Bourjois' 'Evening in Paris' perfume because it is seductive yet sophisticated, exciting yet discreet, and whispers with mysterious eloquence of luxury, loveliness, and romance. A whiff of this and you're bound to bring Bob to heel.

Or there's Coty's L'Aimant, L'Origan, Paris, Chypre, Le Muguet and Nouveau Gardenia, which you can have on your dressing table in bottles of all sizes, or carry around in your handbag in a tiny chased gilt case. This practical gadget for the handbag is called "Flaccac" and is a new way devised by Coty to carry scent in your handbag without any fear of spilling.

There's loads of allure in them that perfumes, my girl. Get them at The Colonial Dispensary, and buy an atomizer along with it. Leading perfumers say spraying brings out the subtle fragrance—transforms an essence into an emotion. And goodness knows, you can do with a lot of emotional appeal.

POETIC LINES

And now let's get down to the clothes problem. You are going to meet Bob during the Christmas holidays, and you're going to win him back or I'll know the reason why! So listen. Get yourself some new clothes, and be careful how you go about it. If I remember rightly, you have a difficult figure to dress. I may be wrong but the picture of you on the beach—trying to conceal a fat derrière with an overskirt to the knees, and looking like something out of the movies of 1920—remains vivid to this day.

So for heaven's sake, pay a little attention to the helpful suggestions I am about to make, and begin getting that figure of yours under control. The power behind the silhouette is most important, always, but particularly since bust-length boleros, the "narrow" dress and the form-fitting suit!

For the power where and how you need it wear a "Maiden Form" foundation. It will do heavenly things toward making you look like a Glamour Girl. Cut like poetry, it has enough support to keep you firm. You'll find an inspiring range of "Maiden Form" foundations in the Ladies Salon of Lane, Crawford's.

EVENING GOWNS

Having got your figure into shape, you are now ready to wear the newest clothes. We'll start with evening frocks, for this is the time of the year when the formal mode is at its loveliest—when revelry by night takes place nearly every night, and you all but live in these clothes from early evening until early morn.

An Open Letter To The Girl Who Has Temporarily Lost Him!

Try first an eye-catching turquoise satin with a skirt whose line is a symphony in streamlined asymmetry at Miss Naylor's. The minute bodice is elaborately shirred to show up flattering curves. Hide your bareness, if you like, under a bolero jacket which goes with it.

There is yet another artful satin I would like you to try here. Its colour is ripe ruby, and the spreading skirt is weighted down by a wide band of clever stitching. Sleek bust-length decollete bodice, decorated with rhinestone clips.

May's Shoppe should meet your every requirement in the matter of dinner gowns. I suggest you get a slender column of Burgundy crepe, because it does heavenly things to your figure and is the ideal answer to the prayer of a gal who is young and has quantities of nice firm flesh to display. The broadened bolero jacket accompanying this one is alone worth the price you will pay.

There is a bottle green crepe that I want you to consider as well. With your future in the balance, it is no time to stint on the dollars and cents. I recommend this frock for its cunning drapery and dog collar of synthetic stones.

ARTFUL ORNAMENTS

To keep your up-hair up you'll need a set of ornamental side-combs. How else can curls be obedient? So I direct you to Maizee's where you'll find diamond birds

trembling high on combs of mother-of-pearl, and glittering sprays of jewelled flowers. There are adorable bunches of velvet blooms. And since higher hair means bared necks buy a necklace of light-weight beads, lantern shape, strung together in one mass of shining gold. With this you can get a bracelet to match.

Dress clips of gold leaves, overlapping and fan-shaped, have earrings of single leaves to match. Silver coins from foreign lands are strung on chains attached to clips and bracelets.

Clever ideas—all of them—to get a man interested in your gemmity.

GLITTERING HANDBAGS

Stick rigidly to the gold standard—even to your evening bag. Come off it only when you're blinded by the dazzle of jewels. Find the most opulent collection at Elite Styles, and fill your choice with all the newest handbag gadgets.

Select one of the new type of gold mesh bags, with trick funnel opening. Stuff it with a gold mesh powder compact, with petite point lid. Buy at least one of the old-fashioned tapestries—they're the new fashion now, and are designed to carry along with pannier skirts and boned bodices. Be dazzled by be-jewelled handbags in many different shapes and sizes. Choose diamonds, rubies, emeralds, pearls—anything you wish.

PLATFORM SOLES

Next—take yourself round to Gordon's and make your gold collection complete with a pair of gold kid dancing slippers. As your eyes slide over the pot of the bunch—alternating bands of gold kid and red satin riding high on the instep, with platform heel and sole—you'll think they look pretty clumsy. But it's no sin to call a shoe clumsy, these days. It's a compliment. If you haven't already worn a platform or wedge sole, do buy this pair with the new thick look. Another thick-soled charmer comes in gold brocade with an orange tint to it.

Black satin with gold kid, electric blue satin with silver kid are some of the newer toms to delight the eye. These are to be

found among the more slender feminine shoes which go in for open toes, window heels, and lavish drapery.

SAUCY HATS

Before you leave Gordon's I want you to become acquainted with some of the latest sensations in hats. Mode Elite on the mezzanine floor have dozens of examples from the makers of Gage models, and 20 odd years in the trade has given them a style sense which you will find very helpful.

Doll's size hats, helmet toques, Mandarin pillboxes, Tibetan turbans, beret turbans and tricornes, Robin Hood models and casual high hats are all the rage this season and Mode Elite can show you stunning representatives of each type.

Burgundy, grape wine, moss green, teal and sapphire blue frocks can be matched in these hats, and you buy individually along with style at this address.

COCKTAIL FROCKS

And now about your cocktail engagements. This is one occasion when you must look your prettiest, when guests have nothing else to do but stand about and gossip. Usually the gossip

takes the form of malicious criticism, and right now criticism is the one thing you want to avoid.

Go along to Vogue's. They have the niftiest collection of ripe coloured crepes with unexpected fashion details. Wooden paillettes, for instance, is a cute idea in place of the usual glittering discs. See this in a rust coloured crepe, with Bishop sleeves and square cut bodice.

Teal blue is a colour which seems to be going places a lot this season. At Vogue's you'll find a pretty smart little number, with pleats in the skirt, and glittering paillettes trimming sleeves. Burgundy, too, is a much-talked-about shade, and fashions a chic frock studded with square set stones on neck and belt.

LYRIC FURS

Another nice dandyism to make your chances of a conquest complete is a fur coat. Now, don't tell me you can't afford it, because M m e D'Obry's

has coats which start from about \$200. I rather fancied a boxy swaggar in leopard as soft as a Persian kitten, and found myself at a loss for words of suitable praise when faced with a bolero in chunky skunk dyed a goldy-brown.

Silver Fox is remarkably low-priced at the Alaska Fur Company, and you can get it by the skin or in capes of several skins which drip almost to your knees.

Dyed Fox in an incredibly fluffy and feminine jacket may be run to earth at the Siberian Furriers branch run by Mrs. Willy. You'll love the way it knocks years off your age, and will equal with joy when you know that you can get it for less than \$100!

LOVELY UNDERNEATHS

You may wonder why I include undies in this campaign to win Bob back. Well, to my mind there seems no point in starting something unless you are prepared to do it thoroughly.

For undies cut on figure-fitting lines, I advocate The Linen Chest. Here, they pay a lot of attention to what is new and smart—hence it is not at all surprising to find delicate floral and scroll embroidery (beloved of the French) making its first appearance at this store in nighties and slips. These newcomers

are sculptured classics and are being sold at prices that defy competition.

Nighties, all, floating chiffon and lace, have now been included among the smart stock at Chiffons. There is a perfect dream in blue and white with scalloped edges and flowers of applied satin strewn over the bodice. There is a romantic number in pink, fashioned of hand-attached plants and dainty lace trimming. There are heavenly hostess coats in pastel coloured brocades, satin lined and with attached lapels. You ought to receive Bob one day in a stately white coat, with black frog trimming, or the blue and gold "Phoenix" coat—emblem of the Empress Dowager. You'll knock him cold!

THAT PARTY

And when you entertain Bob in your private domain, do see that the surroundings are conducive to romance. Get lots of flowers to brighten up dull corners, and get them from the Clover Flower Shop, where the best is assured. Place them in gay pottery—like the kind offered here, and go in for table decorations similar to those shown. If you have no faith in your own artistry for flower arrangements, get the Clover Flower Shop to do it for you.

Rugs are important to the comfort of a room. They impart warmth as well as colour, and fill you with a sense of complete relaxation which is good for the nerves. For the choicest collection of Peking rugs I advocate the Old Cathay. You'll be charmed with the artistic blending of colours, and tastefulness of the designs.

You might also cast your eye over the lovely jades and curios. You don't have to be a connoisseur to appreciate these lovely objects d'art. A look will provide you with enough inspiration to turn your home into the kind of place you'd like to live in.

And when you plan your meal, do it with the greatest of care. Be thrifty if you must, but choose only the best of everything. At the Asia Company you get quality at the town's youngest prices, and they're able to supply you with groceries, butcheries, greens, fruits and sundries.

They also have a good selection of candies, chocolates, fancy biscuits, mince meats, crackers and Christmas decorations which is something to bear in mind if you're thinking of entertaining in a festive manner.

EXQUISITE HANKIES

One of the smallest items in a gal's wardrobe, are handkerchiefs. Perhaps that explains why they are so often sadly neglected. A gal may be immaculate from tip to toe, and yet think nothing of wiping her nose with a rag—or what amounts to a rag. Be careful of this offence, because men DO notice the hankies you use. If you want any proof, buy any one of the dozens and dozens of pretty handkerchiefs at the Shanghai Kerechief Store—display one to the next man you meet—and see if he doesn't beg you to let him keep it as a memento.

The Shanghai Kerechief Store specialises in hankies of exquisite design at prices to fit all budgets.

THAT IMPORTANT FROCK

Last of all, I must put in a word about a clever dressmaker who will make that all important frock for the happy reunion. I know you will want it to be absolutely flawless, so I commend to you Madame Sophie Costides of Bunice. Here is one dressmaker who goes in for individuality; who is full of creative ideas, and believes in the principle of exclusiveness.

My own soul writhes at the simple secrets of my heart I am pouring out on paper, but if you promise to get yourself engaged to Bob promptly, I can live through it.

Be sweet to him, and sympathise with him about his long lost love for me. Then one night, when there is a big moon, tell him you once had a broken romance too. And by all that is holy, when he kisses you, WIRE ME IMMEDIATELY!

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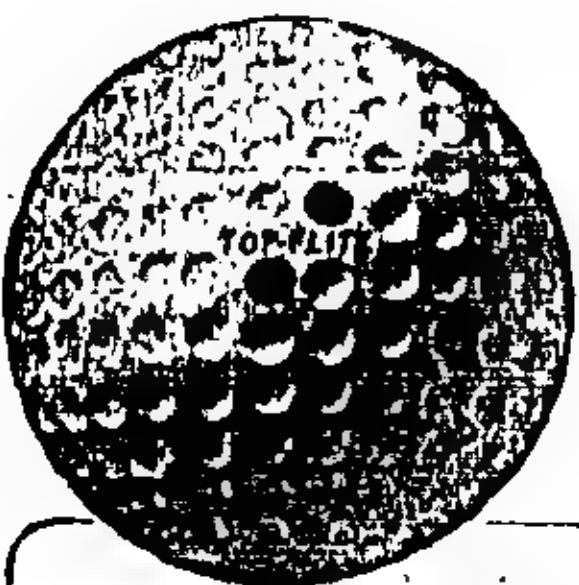
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DONALD Anderson, K.C.C. skipper, found his form yesterday at the Valley when, after a series of failures, he scored 87 out of 165 against Civil Service. Hitting 15 boundaries, he took part in a second wicket stand of 146 with Ernie Fincher (53).

Faced with a total of 179 for 7 declared, Civil Service were well served by J. E. Richardson, who carried his bat for 55 out of 120 for 7, hitting nine boundaries.

Kowloon C.C.				
D. J. N. Anderson, b Whitely	87			
R. T. Broadbridge, b Perry	4			
E. F. Fincher, b Perry	53			
K. M. Baxter, c Colledge, b Whitely	4			
R. E. Lee, c Colledge, b Perry	3			
S. V. Gittins, c Griffiths, b Whitely	3			
N. D. Lloyd, not out	1			
F. A. Broadbridge, b Perry	4			
Extras (B10, LB1)	20			

Total (for 7 wks. dec.)				
G. A. Goodban, G. A. White and G. W. Giffen did not bat.	179			
Bowling Analysis				
Perry	14.3	2	49	4
McLellan	12	1	57	0
Whitely	2	0	87	8
Richardson	2	0	10	0

Civil Service C.C.				
J. E. Richardson, not out	55			
W. H. Colledge, c White, b Lloyd	1			
R. H. Griffiths, b Lee	0			
D. McLellan, b Lee	0			
H. C. Daniels, b Lee	23			
A. E. Perry, c Lloyd, b Gittins	12			
L. Lay, c Broadbridge, b Lee	1			
F. E. Lawrence, b Fincher	13			
Extras (B12)	12			

Total (for 7 wks. dec.)				
B. C. K. Hawkins, D. Hollidge and N. Whitely did not bat.	120			
Bowling Analysis				
Lee	12	0	10	1
Lloyd	11	5	27	1
Baxter	3	0	19	0
Gittins	2	0	11	1
Anderson	2	0	11	0
Fincher	0.2	0	0	1

ARMY AND CLUB DRAW				
At Chater Road, Hong Kong Cricket Club drew with Army.				
Hong Kong C.C.				
L. T. Ride, c Paterson, b Godby	8			
T. A. Pearce, c Godby, b Paterson	17			
F. H. Stokes, c Man, b Swyers	15			
J. L. Hiley, c Webb, b Swyers	15			
A. C. Beck, b Swyers	4			
J. Hall, c Swyers, b Hatfield	0			
J. L. C. Pearce, c Logan, b Painter	35			
P. H. Scoones, not out	9			
G. P. Longfield, c Logan, c Godby	38			
H. Owen Hughes, c Weedon, b Painter	10			
J. H. Fox, not out	20			
Extras (B10, NB1)	6			

Total (for 9 wks. dec.)				
Paterson	7	2	19	1
Godby	10	1	44	2
Swyers	7	0	36	3
Hatfield	7	1	22	1
Painter	6	0	24	2

Army				
Cpl. Webb, b Longfield	3			
Pte. Logan, b Hiley	20			
C. M. Man, c and b Longfield	14			
Capt. Godby, b Hiley	32			
M. P. Weedon, c Owen Hughes	24			
Maj. Swyers, not out	12			
Sgt. Painter, not out	14			
Extras (B1, LB4, WB1)	6			

Total (for 5 wks. dec.)				
Capt. Masterson-Smith, Capt. Lawrence, Pte. Hatfield and C.Q.M.S. Paterson, did not bat.	125			
Bowling Analysis				
Longfield	0	0	39	2
Owen Hughes	4	1	19	0
Hiley	8	1	21	3
J. C. L. Pearce	6	0	26	0
Stokes	3	0	14	0

CRAIGSGOWER WIN				
At Happy Valley, Craigsower Cricket Club beat Royal Navy by one wicket.				
W. Rapley, who scored his 41 out of 58, hit seven boundaries.				

Royal Navy				
Whitmarsh, b Omar	20			
Gould, c Ismail, b Souza	25			
Brownrigg, b Souza, b Billimoria	1			
Firth, c A. Zimmern, b F. Zimmern	0			
Lees, b F. Zimmern	0			
Eagle, b F. Zimmern	0			
Wenstall, c Omar, b Lee	16			
Franklinston, c Rapley, b F. Zimmern	15			
Walker, run out	1			
Boyes, not out	1			
Paxton, c Rapley, b Ismail	1			
Extras (B12, WB2)	14			

Total				
Bowling Analysis	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. R. Zimmern	8	2	20	4
Billimoria	7	3	21	1
Omar	9	2	25	1
Souza	5	1	9	1
Lee	5	1	16	1
Ismail	1.1	1	0	1

Craigsower				
W. Rapley, c and b Paxton	41			
A. Zimmern, b Paxton	1			
A. T. Leo, c Brownrigg, b Whitmarsh	4			
A. K. Ismail, c Lee, b Paxton	4			
F. R. Zimmern, c Gould, b Paxton	15			
G. Souza, c Eagle, b Firth	10			
A. R. H. Ismail, c Whitmarsh	10			
D. Hung, b Whitmarsh	12			
E. Zimmern, c Gould, b Firth	2			
U. M. Omar, b Firth	6			
F. J. Billimoria, not out	3			
Extras (B12)	12			

Total				
Bowling Analysis	O.	M.	R.	W.
Whitmarsh	10	2	33	2
Paxton	10	1	42	4
Firth	6.2	3	19	4
Wenstall	2	0	10	0

MINU 7 FOR 50				
At Sookunpo, Indian Recreation Club beat Club de Recreio by 51 runs.				
Y. el Arculli, hit 5 five and nine				

Total				
Bowling Analysis	O.	M.	R.	W.
Low	8	1	16	0
Bond	6	0	22	0
Robb	6	0	20	1
Divitt	6	0	20	1
Parsons	2	0	13	1

Total (for 2 wks. dec.)				
Spr. Shaw, Capt. Whalman, Sig. Willis, Sig. Murphy, Sgt. Watson, Lt. Peal and Spr. Cork did not bat.	101			
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WENT TO SEE "RUDDIGORE"
ON WEDNESDAY.
THE COSTUMES
WERE EXCEPTION-
ALLY GOOD AND
IT SEEMS A
SHAME TO
WASTE THEM

SO HOW ABOUT
MAKING XMAS
PRESENTS TO
SOME OF THE
NIGHT WATCHMEN?

IN ACT TWO DAME HANNAH
SUDDENLY CREATED A LOUD
BANG BY DE-
MOLISHING A
COUPLE OF
FOOTLIGHTS
WITH A SWORD
BUT THAT WAS
HARDLY
NECESSARY

WE WEREN'T
REALLY ASLEEP!

WE NOTICED THAT THE
STAR FERRY COY. WAS
INCLUDED IN THE
PROGRAMME
AMONGST THOSE
THANKED FOR
ASSISTANCE

THOUGHT WE'D
SEEN THOSE
FISHERMEN'S HATS
SOMEWHERE
BEFORE!

ALGY WAS WONDERING IF
THE SONGS REALLY HAD
WORDS - OR
DID THEY
JUST HUM
THE TUNES?
HE SAID HE
THOUGHT THAT
THE SINGING,
IN PARTS, LEFT
SOMETHING TO
BE DESIRED

MAYBE IT WAS EARPLUGS!

ON THE AIR TO-NIGHT

The First Act Of Puccini's "La Tosca"

10-11 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service
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11 a.m.—12.15 p.m.—Relay of Morning
Service from St. Paul's Church
(Chinese).
12.15 p.m.—Arthur Rubinstein at the
Piano.
Minuet and Trio (from Fantasia
Sonata in G Major, Op. 78—
Schubert).
Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Op. 3,
No. 2 (Rachmaninoff).
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10 (Liszt).
Valse Caprice (Rubinstein).
12.32 p.m.—Songs by Minon Vallin
(Soprano).
Paysage (Theuriet and Hahn).
Si Mes Vers Avenit Des Ailes
(Hugo and Hahn)....with Or-
chestra cond. by Godfrey Andolf.
12.38 p.m.—Bizzet—"The Fair Maid of
Perth" Suite. Sir Thomas Bee-
cham conducting the London Phil-
harmonic Orchestra.
12.55 p.m.—Song by Georges Thill
(Tenor).
Guvre Ton Coeur (Spanish Seren-
ade—Bizet)....with Piano ac-
comp. by Maurice Faure.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Wea-
ther Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dennis Noble (Baritone)
and New Light Symphony Orches-
tra.
Silent Worship (from "Ptolemy"—
Handel—arr. Somervell) Dennis No-
ble....with Orchestra.
"Indam Battenfeld"—Selection
(Puccini)....New Light Sym-
phony Orchestra.
Will She Be Waiting Up? (Hayes
Sterndale-Bennett)....Dennis
Noble (Baritone) with Piano.
So We'll Go No More A-Roving
(Byron and White)....Dennis No-
ble (Baritone) with Piano.
Jewels Of The Madonna—Inter-
mezzo (Wolf-Ferrari).
Introduction to Act 2
Introduction to Act 3
....New Light Symphony
Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announ-
cements.
1.40 p.m.—Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in
G Minor, Op. 26. Yehudi Menuhin
(Violin) and the London Symphony
Orchestra conducted by Sir London
Ronald.
2.05 p.m.—New Light Orchestral Se-
lections.
"Donna Diana"—Overture (Re-
nicok); A Thousand And One
Nights—Waltz (J. Strauss, arr.
Fronk); Dresden State Opera
Orchestra cond. by Karl Bohm.
Flemish Dance; Djatchko Kolo
(Serbian) (Folk Dances)....Folk
Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor
Olaf.
Hungarian Csardas Of George Ma-
gy (Boka Karoly); You Are The
Fellow, Friend Tykdy; My Little
Velvet Hat; Oh! How Long It
Seems....Magyar Inre & His
Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.
Parade Of The Imps (Callo Eck-
lebe); A Frangeneal—March
(Costa-Gauwin)....George Groh-
rock-Ferrari & His Orchestra.
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
7 p.m.—Puccini's "La Tosca" Act 1.
Sung by Carmen Melis (Sop.).
Piero Pauli (Tenor), Hello Palmi
(Tenor), Antonio Gelli (Bar.), Apol-
lo Granforte (Bar.), Giovanni Az-
bimonti (Bass) with Chorus and
Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, con-
ducted by Carlo Sabajno.
7.45 p.m.—Schubert—Rondo in A
Major. Henri Temianka (Violin)
and the Temianka Chamber Orches-
tra.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Wea-
ther Report.
8.03 p.m.—An Orchestral and Vocal
Concert.
Symphony in G Major ("Military")
(Haydn)....Vienna Philharmonic
Orchestra conducted by Bruno
Walter.
Night And Dreams (Schubert—Op.

43, No. 2); Happiness (Schu-
bert); Gretchen at the Spinning
Wheel (Schubert, Op. 2); Fisher-
Ways (Schubert, Op. 95, No. 4)
....Elisabeth Schumann (So-
prano) with Piano accomp. by
Gerald Moore.
Concerto For Violoncello & Orches-
tra, Op. 65 (Elgar)....Beatrice
Harrison and the New Symphony
Orchestra cond. by Sir Edward
Elgar.
Pastorale (arr. Lane Wilson); My
Lovely Gelin (arr. Lane Wilson)
....Elisabeth Schumann (So-
prano) with Piano accomp. by
George Reeves.
The Bird In The Forest (Taubert,
adapted by Earl Alwin); What I
Have (Bavarian Folk Song—
Carl Bohm)....Elisabeth Schu-
mann (Soprano) with Orchestra
cond. by Karl Alwin.
Nutcracker Suite, Op. 71 A (Tcha-
kovsky)....Leopold Stowkowski
and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announ-
cements.
9.50 p.m.—Organ Music.
Fantasia in F Minor (Mozart).
....G. D. Cunningham.
10 p.m.—London Relay—"Music in
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series of talks by Herbert Howells.
10.15 p.m.—Studio—Sunday Evening
Epilogue.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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Kowloon Share Spoils With Navy

HOTLY DISPUTED GOAL GIVES WEAK NAVY SIDE A POINT

KOWLOON supporters received a pleasant surprise at Chatham Road when their team shared the spoils with Navy after an entertaining game, both sides scoring once.

Kowloon were rather unfortunate to lose a point as they scored twice in the first five minutes, only for the referee to rule off-side on both occasions, and the Navy goal, obtained half-way through the second half, was hotly disputed, many contending the Navy player was offside when he netted.

The game, however, was very evenly contested, both sides playing open football. Navy were weakened by the absence of several of their regular players, combination being lacking among the forwards, while their defence was very unsteady at times, the halves being the chief offenders. Kowloon's forward line was always dangerous and their defence very workmanlike.

Jorge, inside right, kept the Navy defenders on the run throughout and covered a tremendous amount of ground. Dixon, Navy pivot, worked extremely hard, but was handicapped by the weakness of his wing-halves. The Kowloon trio, Maxwell, Bliss and Eastman, on the other hand, were always on top of the Navy line and gave them little rope.

The game opened at a fast pace, but it was not until after 15 minutes play that G. White sent a good pass out to Knox, on the right-wing, for the latter to make ground and cross a good centre for the centre forward to score. Just before the interval, a swerving shot from Rierson nearly deceived McAllister, the Navy 'keeper, but he just managed to keep the ball out.

On the resumption, Kowloon kept up the attack and Rierson missed a good chance to increase their lead. Navy were playing strongly at this point and only sterling play by Kowloon's defenders kept them out. Navy crowded on the pressure, however, and were finally rewarded when Middleton headed a good goal to level the scores.

CLUB 2 MIDDLESEX 1
One of the best League encounters witnessed on the Club ground for many a day took place yesterday when the Club caused a big surprise by defeating Middlesex by the odd goal in three.

Both teams provided fast and clever football and there was never a dull moment throughout the full 90

minutes. The home team delighted their supporters with a vastly improved showing on their previous outings, the most notable improvement being in the play of Bickford, the left-winger being in scintillating form.

If they can keep this eleven together, the Club will fully extend any claim to the premier League. In fact, they possess a really fine goal-keeper, and on his form in this match he has very few superiors in the Colony. Keown and Strange were resolute defenders and seem to have struck up a good understanding. All three half-backs gave a creditable display, although Forrow failed many good movements by hanging on to the ball too long. Among a fast and clever moving set of forwards Bickford was outstanding, whilst Strange, playing in the unusual role of centre-forward, proved to be a most thrustful leader. Another great improvement noticeable was the perfect understanding between Bulph and Bickford.

Without the services of Watson and Courtney, Middlesex defence were much below their usual form. Jackson, in goal, like his opposing number, played a sterling game, but the Middlesex strength lay in the intermediate line, Freshwater, although having the best forward on view to having in Bickford, standing in, took well and playing untriflingly throughout. Without exception all five forwards were woefully weak in their finishing, time and again, with only the 'keeper to beat, each one being guilty of ballooning the ball high over the bar.

After 20 minutes Club took a deserved lead through a somewhat lucky goal. Running out of goal Jackson succeeded in getting to the ball first, but his clearance shot struck Cooper, and from the rebound Kiwen had no opposition whatsoever in walking the ball into the net. On the resump-

tion Club fell away a little, but erratic shooting by the soldiers' vanguard spoiled many fine scoring chances. After 15 minutes, however, they drew level when during a melee in front of goal S. Strange had the bad luck to place past his own 'keeper.

During a stoppage on account of E. Strange and Grogan colliding, Forrow left the field with an injury that he had obviously been nursing for some time. Following this break, the Club, although fielding 10 men, went all out for the winner which they deservedly obtained 10 minutes from time when Keown converted a penalty.

POLICE 1 EASTERN 3
At Boundary Street, Eastern overcame Police by 3 goals to 1. Both teams played fast open football, but the wind, which blew straight down the field, interfered considerably with play.

Police should have won the game in the first half when they had the wind in their favour, but their forwards seemed reluctant to shoot and were robbed by energetic Chinese defenders. Eastern, however, deserved their victory as they played with 10 men for three parts of the game. McAllister, in the Police goal, should have saved the first goal, but he did right over the top of the ball. Police defenders gave a good account of themselves, but Blackburn had some very uncomfortable moments against Hau Ching-to. Chan Kong-yui, Blackburn's partner, was very safe. In the half-back line, Fan Kwa-choi and Brittain worked themselves to a standstill, but achieved little of note against the fast Chinese forwards.

Howlett was the pick of the forwards, but received little support, while Ferrier, inside-right, also did well.

Eastern's defence was rock-like, Lui Shih-tan being outstanding. Eastern's forwards were very wide awake, Hau Ching-to, on the left-wing, being always dangerous and well supported by Yu Hui-hin. Lee Tak-kee was a thrustful leader until he was injured in the first quarter of an hour and had to leave the field. Liu Chin-shing, inside-left, however, was the real brains of the attack and kept his colleagues on the move with excellent judgment.

Police were first to attack, but against the run of the play, Eastern went ahead through Hau Ching-to. On the resumption, Eastern had more of the play but were hampered by having to play only four forwards. They went further ahead, however, through Chan Ping-to who netted from a scrummage. Howlett reduced the arrears, but Hau Ching-to placed Eastern further in front to complete the scoring.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION	
Kowloon (G. White)	Navy (Middleton)
Club (Rierson)	Middlesex (S. Strange)
South China "A" (0)	Royal Scots (Allan)
Police (Howlett)	Eastern (McAllister)

SECOND DIVISION	
Club (0)	Kowloon (5)
5th A.A. Bde. (1)	Royal Scots (0)
Eastern (3)	Middlesex (11)
(Bull, Kullum 2, Wo Chi-sang)	(Nichols, Crowhurst 2, Taylor 2, Thomas 2, McFarlane and Yuen (own goal))

THIRD DIVISION "A"	
St. Joseph's (0)	Police (1)
South China (3)	R.A.O.C. (0)
Stanley (2)	P.W.D. (3)
(Burgess, Woodridge)	(Tung King, Shun Ching, Ho Ka-keung, Ho Ka-keung)

THIRD DIVISION "B"	
Signals (0)	R.A.F. (2)
A.S.A. (0)	24th Bty. R.A. (5)
(Rising King, Ip To-ke)	(Sumner 2, Allerton, Marshall, Pidgeon)
Stonecutters (4)	Powhattan (0)
(Chapman 2, Maynard, Bannan)	(R.A.M.C. (3))
Kumamon Rifles (3)	(Parker 2, Adlington)
(Blue Singh, Rishabh Singh, Laxminagar (own goal))	

LOCAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

TABLES TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION						
Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	
					F.	A. Pts.
S. China 'A'.....	11	9	0	2	41	18
Navy.....	7	3	1	3	14	17
Middlesex.....	11	6	1	4	25	13
Eastern.....	10	5	4	2	28	24
S. China 'B'.....	10	5	0	5	16	17
Royal Scots.....	11	2	6	3	21	35
Club.....	10	4	1	5	22	26
Kowloon.....	10	3	2	5	15	18
Police.....	11	4	0	7	21	34
Kwong Wah.....	8	1	2	5	13	25
St. Joseph's.....	9	1	2	6	18	28

Totals... 112 47 18 47 254 254 112

SECOND DIVISION

Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
South China	11 10 1 0 31 12 21
Middlesex	11 7 1 1 55 21 19
5th A.A. Regt.	10 7 2 1 32 14 16
Royal Scots	11 8 0 3 32 11 16
R.A.O.C.	10 5 1 4 37 24 11
St. Joseph's	8 4 0 4 23 13 8
Engineers (E)	10 4 0 6 36 31 8
Kowloon	11 4 0 7 18 31 8
Kwong Wah	9 3 0 6 20 35 6
Police	11 2 1 8 14 41 5
Eastern	10 0 3 7 13 42 3
Club	10 0 1 9 8 44 1

Totals... 122 56 10 56 319 319 122

THIRD DIVISION—"A" SECTION

Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Royal Scots	12 10 2 0 36 9 22
South China	10 5 3 2 25 18 13
P.W.D.	10 4 3 3 22 31 11
24th Bty. R.A.	10 4 1 5 23 23 9
R.A.O.C.	10 4 1 5 23 23 9
Kit Chee	10 4 1 5 23 23 9
Engineers (C)	10 3 3 4 22 25 9
Stanley	11 3 3 5 24 26 9
Electric	9 4 0 5 24 21 8
5th A.A. Regt.	9 2 3 4 16 29 7
R.A.S.C.	11 2 1 8 26 47 5

Totals... 102 41 29 41 249 249 102

THIRD DIVISION—"B" SECTION

Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
R.A.F.	12 11 0 1 40 10 22
24th Bty. R.A.	12 8 2 2 45 19 18
Scutcher W/T	10 8 1 1 50 10 17
R.A.M.C.	11 5 3 3 28 22 13
Engineers (D)	11 2 4 5 35 23 12
Signals	12 5 2 5 35 23 12
Kumamon Rifles	12 3 2 7 25 38 8
University	7 3 1 3 15 11 7
Powhattan	12 1 1 10 15 62 3
A.S.A.	11 1 0 10 7 49 2

Totals... 110 48 14 48 278 278 110

TO-DAY'S GAMES

A First Division League match between Kwong Wah and South China "B" will feature to-day's League soccer programme, which is as follows:
Charity Match (in aid of the dependents of the late Shin Chak Wing).
H.K.F.A. v H.K.C.A.A.F.
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

First Division

Kwong Wah v South China "B"

(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)

Second Division

Kwong Wah v Engineers

(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

Third Division "A"

R.E. (C.) v Royal Scots

(Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.)

Third Division "B"

5th R.A. v R.A.S.C.

(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)

Third Division "C"

Kumamon R. v Medicines

(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE BOWLS

At Government House, His Excellency the Governor entertained three trials from Civil Service Cricket Club at lawn bowls and won by 58 shots to 55.

Scores were, H.E.'s team being given first:

Hon. Mr. R. B. Lindell, H. A. Pegg, G. S. Archibutt and R. Duncan (skip) beat R. R. Davis, J. M. Purvis, J. Gellatly and J. Hildridge (skip) 55-56.

Sir G. Northcote, Dr. I. Newton, R. S. Carter and J. Deakin (skip) beat R. M. Henderson, E. W. Simmonds, E. Eckhardt and L. A. Collyer (skip) 51-53.

W. A. Cornhill, W. Hirst, R. Hall and E. Kern (skip) lost to J. Kerr, E. Wood, A. D. Allen and G. H. Sheriff (skip) 57-52.

Determination Triumphs Over Finesse

ALLEN SCORES GOAL IN LAST FEW MINUTES

If the First Division football match witnessed at Caroline Hill yesterday between Royal Scots and South China "A" is indicative of the true form of the Chinese then their position in the League flatters them. All credit must go to the soldiers, who put up a truly valiant performance, to beat the acknowledged strongest side in the League by a lone goal.

Both teams made positional changes, South China bringing in a new player from Singapore, Loo Tur-yeung taking the place of Lai Shui-wing. Rather on the diminutive side, he nevertheless played well and was in no way responsible for his side's defeat. The soldiers had Clarke in goal instead of Duncan, and Fleming came into the side again after some weeks absence.

SECOND DIVISION

EASTERN 3 MIDDLESEX 11

At Boundary Street, Middlesex ran riot and beat Eastern by 11 goals to 3. The Chinese proved no match for the fast-moving soldiers, and Middlesex, aided by a strong wind in the first half, netted eight goals.

Against such well-positioned Middlesex defence was adequate, while the halves completely held the Chinese forwards. In the forward line, however, Crowhurst did not seem to fit in very well and the other forwards seemed to "lose" him.

Saito Kiu-tuen was the outstanding man for Eastern.

In the first half, Middlesex scored through C. Thomas (2), Yu Yun-sin (own goal), Riches (2), McEarchan, Crowhurst and Taylor. Saito Kiu-tuen netted for Eastern. In the second half Taylor, Crowhurst and Saito Kiu-tuen and Wo Chi-sang for Eastern.

CLUB 0 KOWLOON 5

In their encounter against their Kowloon rivals, Club juniors put up a poor performance and lost a dull and uninteresting game by five clear goals.

Kowloon led at the interval by a goal scored by H. Santos. On the resumption, however, further goals were added by Jorge and C. M. Santos, who crowned a fine afternoon's work by recording a "hat-trick".

For Kowloon, Humphrey and Gomes were most reliable at full-back, and Jorge and C. M. Santos stood out among a fast-moving vanguard.

SOUTH CHINA 3 R.A.O.C. 0

R.A.O.C. re-arranged their side for their match against South China, at Caroline Hill, but were beaten by three clear goals.

The game opened sensationally, South China being a goal up within a few seconds of the start. Loke Fat-hon, forced to the left, managed to send in a rasping drive which Brice missed, leaving Ip Yui-po with an easy target. Continuing their efforts South China scored again, Chan Ching-in heading into the net from a splendid centre from Ip Yui-po. On the resumption, Choo Sui-hing saved brilliantly from Munson, and the Chinese were soon swarming to the attack and Brice, in goal, played exceptionally well to save his charge time and again. Rides again performed splendidly at centre-half.

Ip Yui-po completed South China's tally.

South China were well served by their strong defence with Tin Yung-fat being particularly brilliant in the forward line.

Ordinance were best served by Brice, in goal, and Rides, at centre-half.

ST. JOSEPH'S 0 POLICE 1

Police recorded the only goal scored in their fixture with St. Joseph's at the Valley.

St. Joseph's started with only nine players owing to the late arrival of two of their members.

Police played a strong attacking game, made possible by good work by the intermediate line, but play was confined entirely to midfield despite the endeavours of the Police left-wing to pass Down and Marcel, who combined effectively.

After a goalless first half, St. Joseph's forced the pace through their left-wing, Santos and Tavaras, who repeatedly raided Police territory, but midway through this half St. Joseph's lost Rocha through an injury, and it was during his absence that Police went ahead, Che Sui-yu scoring with a hard shot. A little later Rocha again took the field, but St. Joseph's could not equalise.

6TH R.A. 1 ROYAL SCOTS 0
At Happy Valley, in an evenly contested match, the 6th R.A. beat Royal Scots by the only goal of the match.

McDonald, the Scots' leader, was very prominent and led his wingers well, but persistent tackling by Corbin and magnificent 'keeping' by Pooley kept the attackers out. The Gunners rallied, though their forwards were given little scope as their intermediate line gave them no help.

After the interval Gunners' half-back line, in which Lawton was outstanding for steady tackling and well-timed passes, moved into the attack, while Calvert came into the line and at inside-left as schemer and sharp-shooter. A penalty for hands committed by the Scots resulted in Calvert scoring from the "spot".

LEE WAI TONG TO PLAY TO-DAY

The outstanding feature of to-day's sports programme is the charity football match between Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation and Hong Kong Football Association, in aid of the dependents of the late Chak Shiu-wing, of Kit Chee Football Club, which will be held at Caroline Hill, commencing at 4 p.m.

This match will in all probability serve as the first unofficial Interport trial in the event of the Hong Kong-Manila Interport match materialising.

A big game is assured by the re-appearance of Lee Wai-tong, whose inclusion in the Federation forward line makes it one of the most formidable fields this season.

Association are also fielding a very strong team, probably one of the most powerful seen for several seasons.

Four Navy players have been included in the Association team—a most uncommon occurrence.

Mr. D. Kossick will referee and the teams are:

H.K.F.A.: McAllister (Navy); Watson and Sheehan (Middlesex); Honey-will (Navy); Dixon, Capt. (Navy) and E. Strange (Club); Grogan (Middlesex); Leonard (St. Joseph's); Fowler (Club); Hunt (Navy) and Relestone (Kowloon).

Reserves—Bickford (Club), Husain (St. Joseph's), Hosack (R. Scots) and Blackburn (Police).

H.K.C.A.A.F.: Pau Ka-ping; Mak Shui-hon and Lee Ting-nang; Soong King-sing, Lee Hing-chang and Hau King-seng, Tong Kwong-sun, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shui-wing and Hau Ching-to.

Reserves—Lee Tak-kee, Lo Wai-keen, Mui Wah-kow, Kwok Ying-kee, Lau Tau-man and Cheung Wing-choy.

BRAWN CUP HOCKEY

Again playing with a depleted side—nine players for the greater part of the game—"V" Ladies, after a goalless first half, were defeated by four clear goals by Seaford's Ladies at King's Park yesterday in a Brawn Cup game.

Mrs. Aikroyd (3) and Mrs. MacKenzie were the scorers.

BRAWN CUP TABLE TO DATE

Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Seaford L.	5 5 0 0 11 1 10
H.K. Ladies	5 0 0 11 2 10
Recreo "A"	5 4 0 13 8 8
D.G. School	4 2 2 0 8 2 4
C.B.A. Ladies	4 2 2 0 9 7 4
"V" Ladies	5 2 3 0 4 9 4
C.B. School	3 0 3 0 3 9 0
St. Andrew's	4 0 4 0 3 13 0
Recreo "B"	5 0 5 0 17 0

Hard hitting featured the friendly game in which Royal Artillery beat Y.M.C.A. by 5 goals to 3 at King's Park.

The Gunners took the lead early in the game through Indara Singh, but Kraus equalised, only for the Gunners to lead at the interval by goals through Hazara Singh and Ellis. Jagender Singh increased the lead in the second period and D. Smith rounded off a good movement when he scored from the wing. Ellis scored the Gunners' other goal and Kraus scored "v.v." last goal as the result of a good solo effort.

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY
Four Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament matches are down for decision this morning, the programme being as follows:

K.I.T.C. v Recreo
(Recreo, 10.30 a.m.)

C.B.A. v R.A.F.
(C.B.A., 10.30 a.m.)

Radio v R.A.O.C.
(Radio, 10.30 a.m.)

Nomads v University
(University, 10 a.m.)

WINNING YACHTS
Yesterday's yacht races in the 3rd Corinthian Series, over a 11.3 miles course resulted as follows:

"A" Class started at 14.30
1. Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King).

"B" Class started at 14.20
1. Dorothea (Dr. Dean Smith).

"C", "T" & "V" Classes started at 14.40
1. Owl (Mr. G. I. Eastgate).

minutes later went ahead through Chan Cheong and Ho Ka-keung. After this the game was very one-sided with P.W.D. continually attacking. Five minutes before the final whistle, however, Burgess reduced the arrears for Stanley with a fine header.

For P.W.D., Bailey played well between the sticks, while Cheung Kum-hu was sound at back with Shui Sam playing a great game at pivot. For Stanley, Hall was excellent in goal, Marsh the best defender and Freer pick of the forwards.

P.W.D. 3 STANLEY 2
A very keen and exciting game was witnessed at Causeway Bay, where P.W.D. beat Stanley by the odd goal in five.

Not long after the kick-off, Stanley went ahead through Woodridge. Soon after half time P.W.D. equalised through Fung King-u and a few

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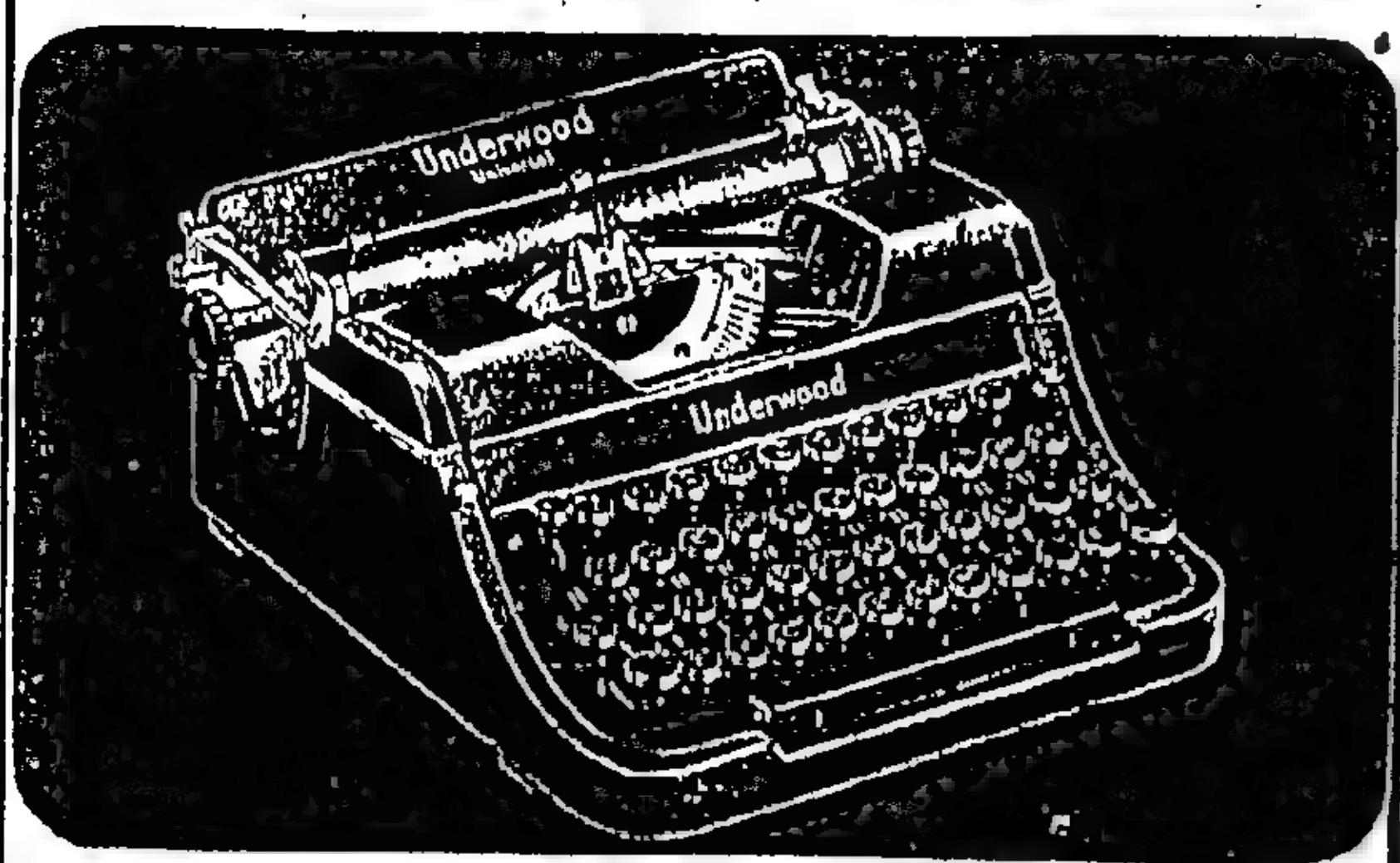


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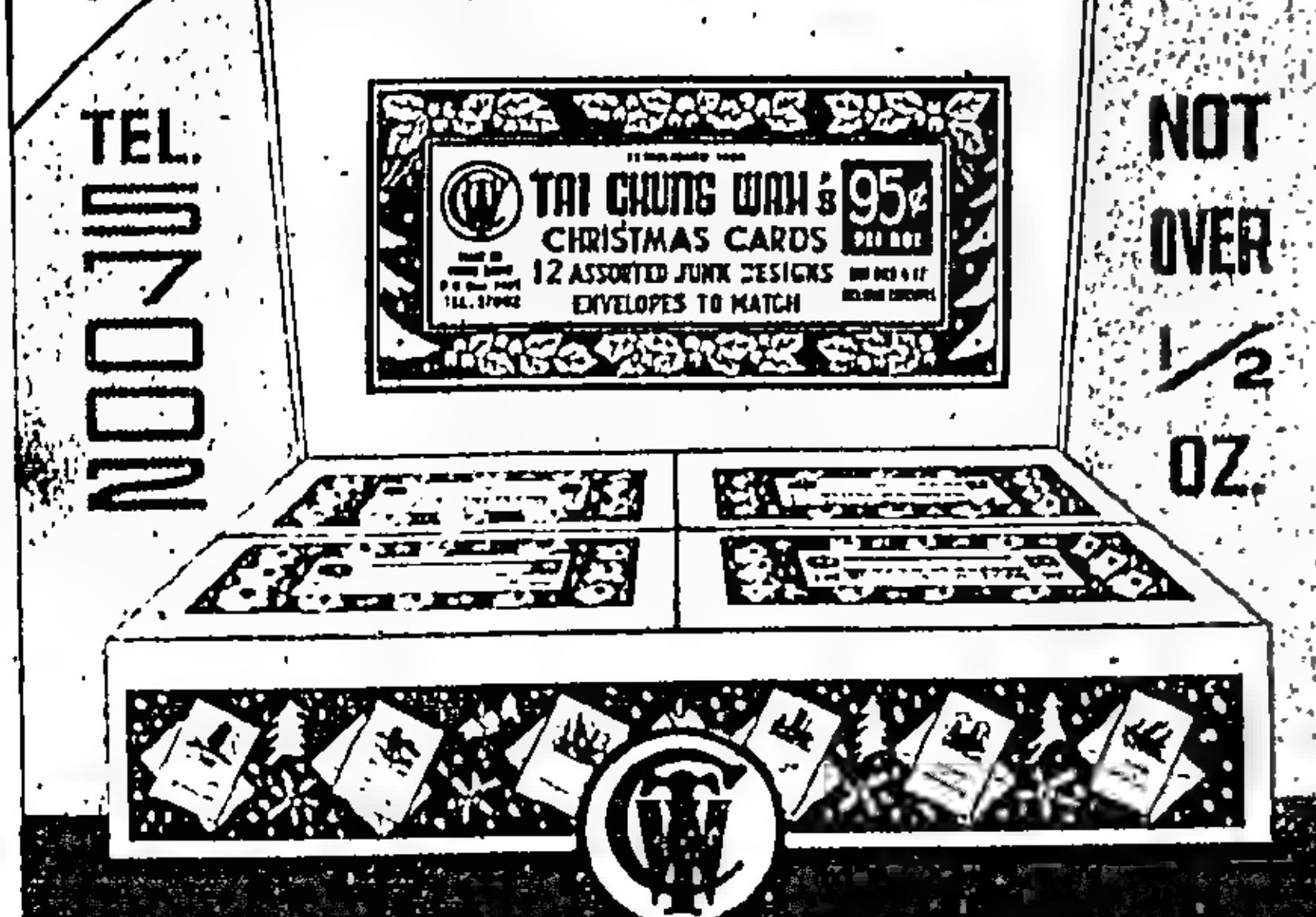
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Why I Help China Fight Japan

WATARU KAJI, who is handsome and unusually intelligent-looking for a Japanese, walked quietly into the reception room of the Central Government's Publicity Bureau in Hankow where I was waiting to receive him. He was accompanied by a guard-interpreter from the Military Affairs Commission. He gave me a kindly smile as we shook hands, and seemed perfectly at ease as we sat down side by side on a comfortable settee.

Wataru Kaji is thirty-five, clean-shaven and slightly over five feet tall. He was dressed in a neat fawn undress military uniform such as is worn by most Chinese civilian officials nowadays. He speaks English fairly well, being only occasionally at a loss for the exact phrase to express his meaning. He was born in the rural town of Oida in Kyushu, of an old farming family. He received a local primary-school education. He then attended High School in Kagoshima; and later, at the age of twenty-two, entered the Tokyo Imperial University to study literature and the Japanese drama.

Surprise Books

During his first year at the university, Kaji's life was no different from that of the average student. But one day, a walk with a class-mate was to change everything for him.

Stopping before a parliamentary election poster, his friend turned to him and said, "What party do you like?"

"I have no interest in politics," replied Kaji frankly.

"But as an artist you should

concern yourself with the rights of society," admonished his friend.

"This conversation resulted in my reading a series of books on sociology," continued Kaji warming up to his story. "Furthermore, my friend was an anarchist and gave me several books on anarchism. These I read also but came to the conclusion that anarchism was stupid idealism."

"During the course of another walk a few months later, my friend and I entered a book-store on 'Jimbocho' (Tokyo's famous book street) and he pointed to a collection of 'Red' literature, (the importation of which was prohibited) on one of the counters. I was naturally very surprised to find such books being displayed so openly, and out of pure curiosity, I bought one. I had no intention of reading it, and might never have done so, had I not felt lonesome on the train taking me homewards for my vacation. Having nothing else to do, I untied my 'furoshiki' (a piece of material in which most Japanese carry their belongings in lieu of a brief-case) and pulled out the book in question. It turned out to be a translation of Lenin's 'The State and Revolution'."

"I was so impressed by the first page that I read on eagerly to the end. And when I had finished, my one thought was to obtain more books such as this, as well as friends to study them with me.

"On my return to Tokyo I searched for and obtained the books, but my friends scoffed and sneered at my ideas. I was obliged, therefore, to continue my studies alone until one morning early in 1926, I came across a notice in the university compound (the police were more lenient in those days) stating that a meeting for the study of social literature was to be held at a certain cafe that evening, and all interested were cordially invited to attend. I wished desperately to go; yet I was exceedingly self-conscious and

timid, and feared the ridicule of my class-mates should they discover that I had gone. And it was only at the last minute that I plucked up sufficient courage.

"When I reached the cafe I found several other students from the university present, and they gave me a warm welcome, although I had never met any of them before. It was in fact, I discovered, a meeting for students of the leading proletarian speakers of the day, and during subsequent discussions I decided to join this group. In due course, however, the more radical among us formed another group for the sole purpose of studying Marxist literature. We were, I believe, pioneers in this field in Japan."

"After a few months, albeit, I decided that merely studying communist doctrines was not sufficient. It seemed to me imperative necessary for us to go outside and spread the gospel of Marxism. This decision led to the formation of the League of Japanese Proletarian Artists. Subsequently, I also became editor of the 'Proletarian News.'"

Comintern Aid

"How did you manage for funds," I interposed? "We collected money from those who sympathized with our cause; in addition to which we received financial assistance from the Comintern," Kaji answered. "I now spent every moment of my spare time furthering the growth of our movement which progressed steadily until towards the end of 1927, the police began their merciless persecution and suppression of all leftist organizations. Between 1928 and 1935 I was arrested and imprisoned no less than thirty-six times; one term of imprisonment lasting over two years."

"And how were you treated in prison," I inquired?

"The behaviour of the police was inhuman," continued Kaji. "Many of my colleagues were beaten to death. More than once I myself was tied to a chair and struck repeatedly with a piece of bamboo until I fainted. Nevertheless, I refused to disavow my communist principles."

"Each time I regained my freedom the police dogged my footsteps and my work became more and more difficult. No longer was it possible to conduct our propaganda in the open. All the time we were being driven further and further underground. And when, in 1936, I was released from prison after my last incarceration, I was divorced."

Divorced Wife

It is no exaggeration to say that the minions of the law practically hounded me to death. Added to which my wife (I married one of the lady members of the Proletarian Artists League in 1927) could no longer stand the strain of the struggle and tried to persuade me to give it up. After a violent quarrel I divorced her. All my former comrades had likewise by now deserted me for fear of further police reprisals. So that I was left alone to fight a battle against impossible odds. Added to which I was penniless and with my police record there was little hope of finding employment."

"I did not know which way to turn and was actually contemplating suicide when out of the blue, came an opportunity to join a group of travelling players as a handy man. Having been with them some weeks, I learnt one day that they were shortly proceeding to China. My heart leapt with excitement. Then I became suddenly afraid that the police might try and prevent my leaving the country. So I went to call on one of the district magistrates and pretended to renounce politics for ever. "I now have a steady job,"

The remarkable life story of Wataru Kaji, the Japanese socialist attached to the Political Department of the Military Affairs Commission of the Central Government of China. As told to

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I told him, "and am resolved never to have anything more to do with politics." Hearing this the magistrate was much gratified and commended me for my wise decision."

With Theatrical Troup

"Some weeks later I left with the theatrical troupe for China. Our first engagement was in Tsingtao and after playing in several other towns, we reached Shanghai in January, 1936. Here I parted company with my dramatic friends, having renewed my acquaintance with Mr. Lu Hsun, the famous Chinese proletarian writer, sometimes referred to as the 'Gorky' of China. He appeared very glad to see me and asked whether I would like to help him translate his works into Japanese. I was delighted at the chance and began immediately. Unfortunately, however, Mr. Lu Hsun died but this did not prevent me finishing the translations. I also wrote his biography in Japanese. Ten days after I had completed this task, the present Sino-Japanese conflict broke out."

"I moved at once with my wife. (I had married again some months previously) from the International Settlement to the French Concession. Nevertheless, we went in daily fear of our lives, having overheard several plots to kill us. Consequently, we were continually changing our abode. And had it not been for an American friend who sheltered us for several months, we would in all probability not be alive to-day."

"When the Chinese forces finally retreated from the city we were back on our own again. I now went about disguised as a white Russian; notwithstanding, it was not long before the Japanese Secret Service discovered my whereabouts. The Japanese authorities thereupon requested the French Police to arrest me, and when they refused, the Japanese employed a Russian detective to keep me under constant observation. This man took a room in the house opposite me; and although I subsequently moved again and again, it was impossible to shake him off."

"Then one day an English friend gave me two tickets to Hong Kong. But it was weeks before we could use them. How to evade the watch upon my movements was my sole preoccupation during this period. Finally I hit upon the following plan. I let it be known where I lived that we intended to return to the International Settlement on a certain day. This we did; and, as I anticipated, my shadow followed to ascertain our new address. He then returned with this information to his Japanese masters; I disguised myself as a Mexican and we made a dash to the Bund and boarded the steamer for Hong Kong."

Believed In Hong Kong

"On arrival at the British port I told the authorities that my father was a Chinese and my mother a Mexican, so I needed no passport. They believed me and we landed with only a few dollars to our name. For weeks I read all the newspaper advertisements and tried hard, though in vain, to get a job as a 'boy' (servant). And once again I was at my wits' end when I happened upon an announcement that Mr. Chan Nai-chi, the celebrated Chinese patriot (he was one of the seven group of travelling players as National Salvationists imprisoned in Soochow in 1936), whom I had met in Tokyo in my student days, was going to speak that evening at a big meeting. I had no ticket and was refused admission to the hall. After many unsuccessful attempts, however, I managed to attract Mr. Chan's attention from a vantage point I had obtained close to an open window. At the conclusion of the meeting Mr.

Chan came out to greet me and invited me to stay with him. He also introduced me to several of his friends."

Four Months In Hong Kong

"In all I spent four months as a refugee in Hong Kong. Unable to find any sort of employment, I spent my time writing political articles which were translated into Chinese. I also tried, on numerous occasions, to get in touch with the Chinese Central Government authorities. I dispatched letter after letter to officials in Hankow, receiving not a single reply. Then I became discouraged and ceased my efforts. One morning, though, to my complete astonishment, I received a telephone call from General Chen Cheng inviting me to Hankow. This I accepted with alacrity and a few days later, two Chinese guards arrived to escort me to his headquarters."

"I had a series of long talks with General Chen and other high government officials on the political situation. I also took the opportunity of repeating verbally my request to be allowed to assist China in her fight against Japanese militarism."

Emancipation Of Japan

"Why were you so keen to help China fight Japan," I interjected? "Because if China wins this war it will not only result in the emancipation of the Chinese people but in the emancipation of the Japanese nation also. Let me remind you that Fascism in the Orient began with the conquest of Manchuria by Japanese militarists in 1931; and from that day to this, the peace and independence of every Asiatic country has been threatened. Moreover, it will continue to be threatened until the day that Japanese militarism is finally crushed. When this has been achieved, democracy will reign in both China and Japan and it is to this day that I have dedicated my life."

"What are your precise duties as a member of the Political Department of the Military Affairs Commission," was my next question.

"My work is very varied. My knowledge of Japanese psychology naturally enables me to render many services to the government of China. I keep my department informed of the tenor and trend of the Japanese press and other publications. I interview Japanese prisoners of war, listen to their stories, and explain to them my way of thinking. Some of them are very adverse to speaking to me, at first. Most of them eventually come to see my point of view, however. I also do what I can to see that they are properly cared for and I can assure you that they have little to complain of. In addition to which I write many political articles, I broadcast frequently, and I travel quite a lot in order to meet and converse with various groups and organizations. Furthermore, when the chance presents itself, I visit one of the warfronts and comfort the gallant Chinese soldiers, urging upon them the vital necessity of continuing to resist the ruthless invasion of Japanese militarism."

"And what are your plans after the war is over," I ventured?

If Possible

"If possible I shall return to the land of my birth and continue where I left off my work for the revolution—a revolution which this war has now made unavoidable—a revolution that when it comes will change one of the world's oldest autocracies into a democracy willing and anxious to cooperate with other democracies in the preservation of world peace," concluded Kaji convincingly.

"My interview was now at an end and we left the Publicity Bureau together and as we walked along one of the principle streets of Hankow in the moonlight, Kaji turned to me and said: "Japanese spies (Chinese or others in Nipponese pay) have even followed me to Hankow. Only a few weeks ago my home in Wuchang was razed to the ground by a well directed Japanese bomb. My wife and I had a lucky escape, being merely covered in debris." Five minutes later he bid me goodnight and disappeared through a gateway into the garden leading to his new residence."

Wataru Kaji's sincerity is beyond question. As to his predictions—we shall see!

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SOME twenty years ago, the world war was at an end. Only now is it possible to realize the immensity of the disaster. During these twenty years, the history of Europe records a series of catastrophes, all born of the war.

It would be too long to relate the story of these disasters. It is simpler and more expeditious to indicate the three most disastrous events engendered by these catastrophes as a whole.

The first is that of the total destruction of the rights of man, i.e. of international law, that factor which since the end of the seventeenth century governed inter-European relations in peace and in war, and guaranteed order and balance of power on the continent together with a measure of security for all States, great and small. International anarchy has now developed to such an extent that pirates can patrol the British seas under the eyes of the Home Fleet in all tranquillity and security.

One of the great victories of the nineteenth century was the right of opposition, recognized by all civilized States except Russia with more or less important reservations. It was this victory which led to the creation of such active, flexible, balanced and progressive constitutions as had hitherto been unknown. Within the last twenty years, this victory has been reduced to naught in two thirds of Europe, and has been replaced by the most terrible despotisms known to history.

Finally, numerous States have suppressed another achievement of the nineteenth century: that system of international trade, thanks to which all nations, up to 1914, could supply their needs from the whole world, easily and usefully. One part of the world has reverted to the prehistoric and primitive system of barter; to methods that before 1914 were only to be found in certain tribes of Central Africa or the deserts of Asia. And there are learned men, bought by Governments reduced to expedients, who regard this as a progress!

Finally, to put the finishing point to the chaos, hostilities have again broken out; the world is once more devastated by war. It has raised its head in two forms: bloody warfare and war without

bloodspilling, to resume a metaphor applied under the Fructidor directorate to the guillotine. Bloody war prevails in the Far East, in Abyssinia, in Spain. Latent war exists between the European great Powers. They ruin themselves by their enormous armaments; and the fear of these arms induces the most audacious to invade, trample down, suppress

BY PROFESSOR FERRERO

and dismember the weaker States, without a gunshot. And the defeats and victories of this latent warfare entail consequences which are still more extraordinary than those of outright war.

The causes of this immense chaos, of so many misfortunes are forcibly complicated. But the main cause would appear to be the terrible political crisis provoked in the whole of Europe by the fall of the great dynasties. I repeat this to-day as I wrote it in 1919, and as I have constantly affirmed since. This crisis has been envisaged too frivolously in all quarters, as being a domestic concern for certain States; on the contrary, it is a repetition of the great European crisis called forth at the end of the eighteenth and at the beginning of the nineteenth century by the fall of the French monarchy.

When the monarchy disappeared, France attempted to organize a democratic republic; when this attempt failed, the republic, at the end of its tether, finally succeeded in organizing a democracy contrary to the constitution of the year Eight: a State founded in theory on the principle of the people's sovereignty, in reality a power organized in such a way as to force the people to vote as it wished. The democratic formula was thus overthrown and had become a paradox. The attempt to apply this paradox gave rise to so many complications, internal and external, that it resulted in a war lasting eleven years—those wars which devastated Europe from the rupture of the Peace of Amiens of 1803 until 1814.

The fascist and Nazi regimes are merely the contemporary form and the general application of the

constitution of the year Eight and Europe did not suffer too much. The great disturbance began when Japan—another monarchy in decline—began to seek the solution of her insoluble internal problems in a policy of Asiatic imperialism, and when Germany, with the advent of the Nazis, was also merged in an inverted democracy of a revolutionary character. The terrible consequences of these great upheavals have not failed to emerge: half the world is now involved in bloody or latent war; in a situation which recalls that of Europe from 1803 to 1814, but on a much larger scale. The same causes produce the same effects, even a century later.

England and France appear to hope that the truly democratic powers will succeed in reducing these disturbances and in re-establishing order and peace by negotiation. This is the real significance of the policy pursued by London and Paris. We shall see. But if, as I believe, this attempt may fail, the bona fide democracies will be confronted with the real problem of international order. And, for their very existence, they will be forced to solve it, just as Europe solved the same problem in 1814 and 1815.

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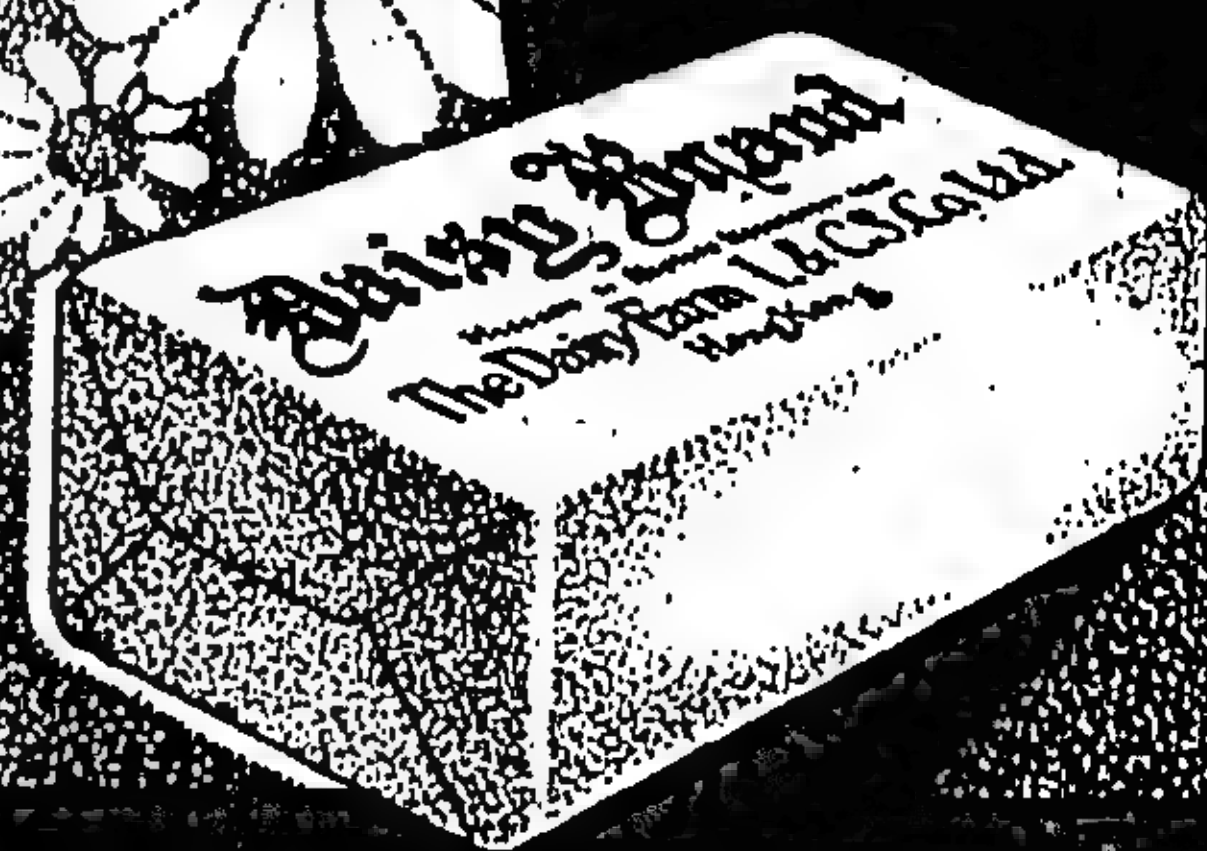
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Romance Of A Nautilite

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The beach was a clean white, for coral beaches are always so. A few broken shells were being tossed back and forth by the playful seas, much as a cat plays with a mouse. Many men were assembled on the beach, they were near a line of small outrigger canoes.

I took my seat in the bows of one of them and our little fleet left the shelter of the sea and made its way out into warm Sulu Sea. My boatman was a clean-limbed golden brown youth. As he paddled us out to the "Grounds" he was softly singing a song in Visayan about some girl who was so lovely that all who saw her committed suicide. (Poison I'd call her) At last we reached the grounds.

I placed my diving glasses in position and throwing off the sun shirt I wear for protection, eased myself into the water. Those glasses are a marvellous invention; they give equal vision under the seas as is enjoyed above.

I filled my lungs a few times and then half emptied them and swam down. It was shallow diving; only thirty feet of water, but when you reached the coral gardens below you seemed to have changed your world and the things in it. You lose all weight, and swim through a world of such beauty that the pen may never express a fraction of it. Great castles of gleaming coral, trees of swaying sea-weed and streets of snow white sand. A silent graceful white people with rainbow-coloured fish and shells of extreme beauty.

I saw in a coral cavern a large triton crawling over the sand and with little effort swam to it captured it and arose to the surface with my prey in my hands. Into the boat it went and down again.

Two hours later our little fleet came in. All of us were tired and cold. A little hot coffee for me, laced with rum, and a swig of 'tuba' for the men, refreshed us all.

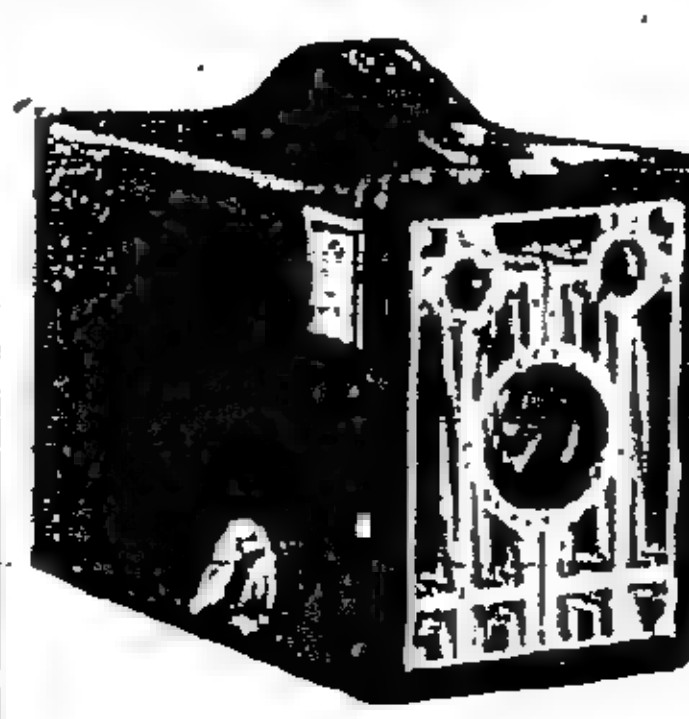
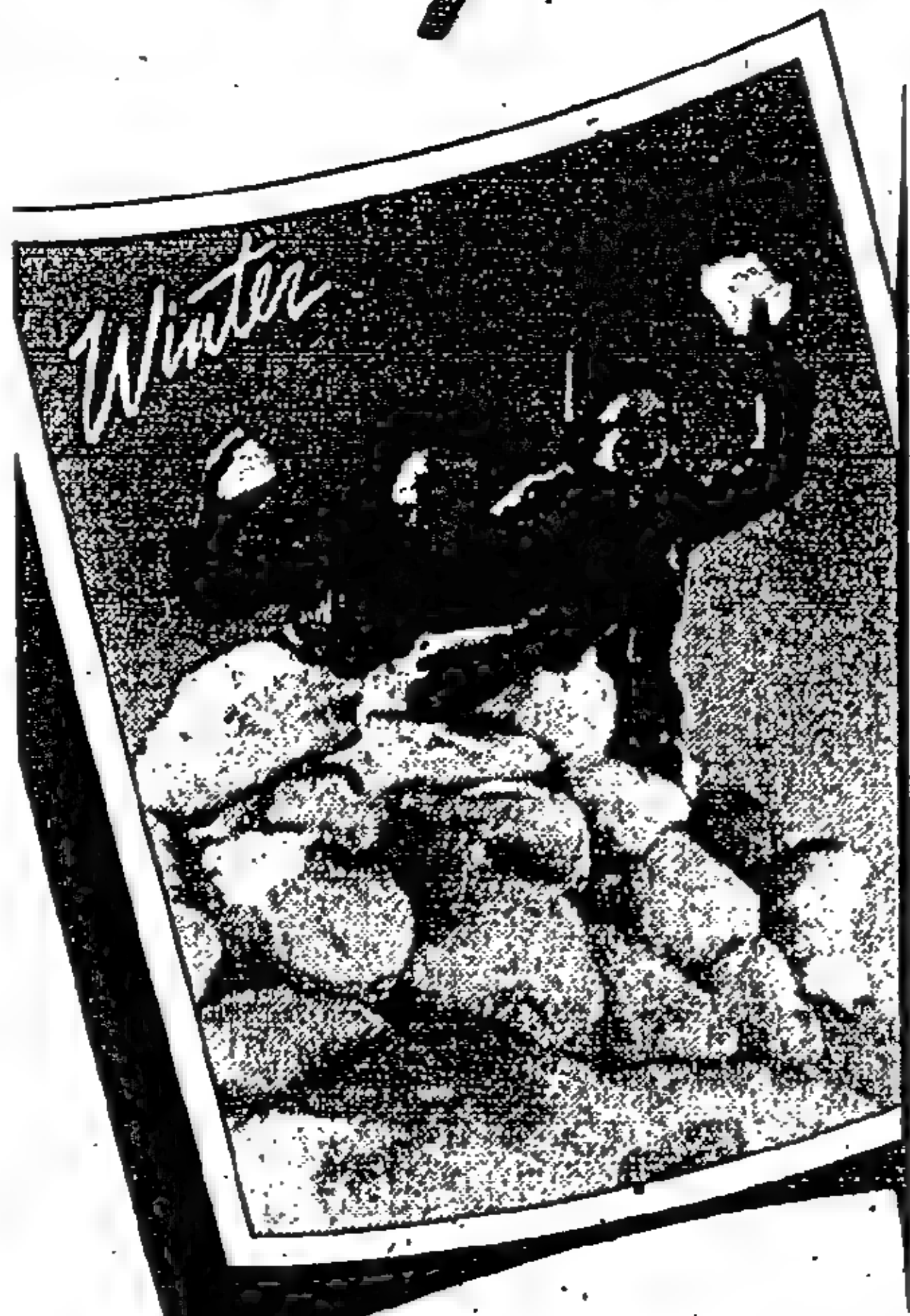
Here I must tell a little of the other side of the story, in these waters are dangers lurking, Shark and Baracuda await the unwary.

The identical coral that houses our shells is also host to a crew of poisonous water snakes and fishes. After a dive, however, nothing but the beauty seen remains, the dangers are discounted for shell is needed . . . there are men to chance the danger.

Our shell is sorted, the animal life cleaned out and off goes the shipment to world markets. Among these shells is the Chambered Nautilus. It is a beautiful shell and when cleaned is the identical colour of a pure Sulu pearl. However the animal in it is the opposite in every way of its lovely abode. It might well be called a "devil in an angel's home." It is a vicious killer, merciless in attacking its own kind as gleefully as it attacks and destroys a school of fish. It is an octopus and like all of its family has a beak like a parrot armed with an edge razor sharp.

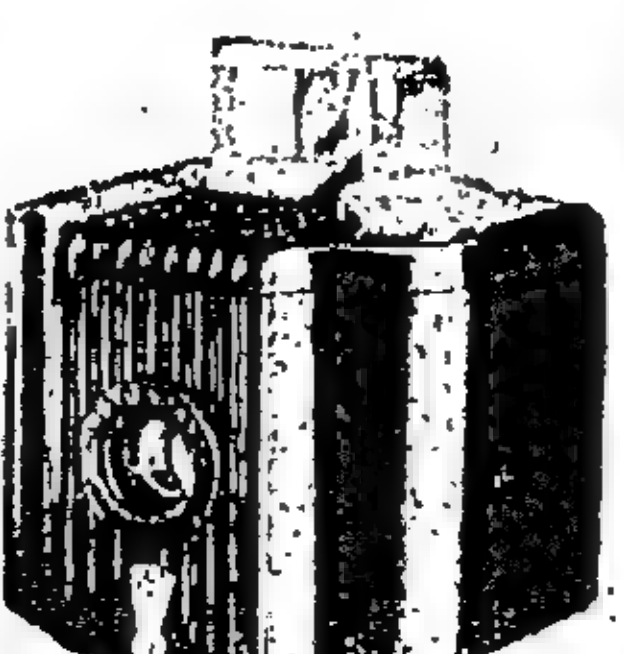
Days of cleaning and packing and at last the finest artists and artisans turn out a shell lamp in our Studio at Room 11, No. 20 Queen's Road. A thing of such fragile beauty that only art on living pearl, could make. Tones streak it like the shafts of light streak tropic sky, and when these art experts bring on to its gleaming mantle the scene of its former location; you see it and you want it.

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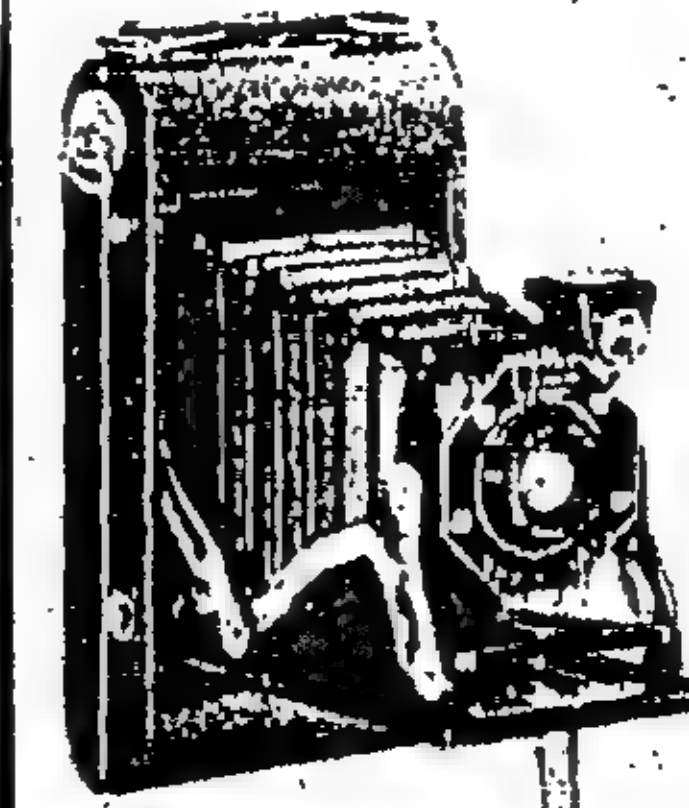


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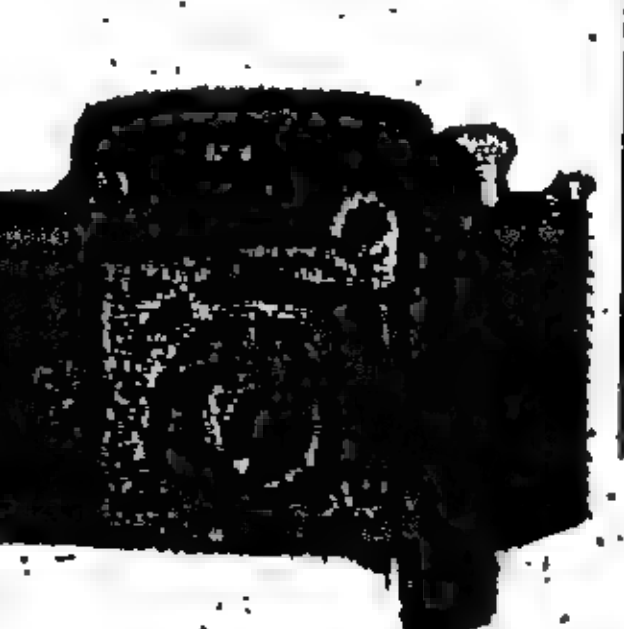


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PEI CHUNG-HSI ON CHINA'S NEW MILITARY STRATEGY

Fishery Conflict Imminent

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The Russo-Japanese discussions in Moscow concerning renewal of the Japanese fishery contracts with the Soviet in northern Pacific waters have reached a deadlock, according to Japanese despatches.
M. Maxim Litvinoff, the Soviet Foreign Commissar, it is stated, displayed a "strong attitude" when the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow, Mr. Shigenori Togo, sounded him out on Tuesday in connection with the Japanese request for a definite reply from the Soviet by Dec. 20.
As a result of this attitude, no progress has been made and there is no prospect in sight of a settlement, the reports state. — Reuter.

GERMANY'S TRADE IN HONG KONG

Berlin, Yesterday.
According to statistics published to-day, Greater Germany's foreign trade in November amounted to 522.1 million marks imports and 453.1 million marks exports.
This compared with the previous month means a drop of imports by 4.2 million marks and of exports by 37 million marks.
The trade balance of Germany, inclusive of Sudeten German territory, shows, in November, an import surplus of 32.5 million marks compared with 8.8 in the previous month.
German exports to the Dutch East Indies in November rose compared with October by 1.5 million marks, imports from Rhodesia dropped by 2.1 and from British India by 1.9 million marks.
Exports to the Netherlands declined by 2.9, to British India by 1.2, to Japan by 1.1, to the South Africa Union by 1.5 million marks.
Fluctuations in trade with Hong Kong were explained by the Japanese occupation of Canton. German exports to Canton in October went up by 4 million marks dropping in November by the same amount. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH MISSION LEAVES

Lisbon, Yesterday.
The British military mission in Portugal, led by Rear-Admiral N. A. Wodehouse, began the return journey last night on board the "Alcantara."
Besides the British Ambassador in Lisbon, Sir Walford Selby, representatives of the Portuguese Government and of the army and navy were at the quay to take leave of members of the mission. — Trans-Ocean.

DEATH

ISBISTER—On December 17th at the Queen Mary Hospital, John Duncan Isbister, aged 67 years, late chief engineer of s.s. Kong So, native of Greenock, Scotland. Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy.

"ENTIRE AREA" TACTICS

Chungking, Yesterday.
"Japan's adventure in China will meet with a similar fate to that of Napoleon at Moscow," declared General Pai Chung-hsi, Deputy Chief of General Staff of the Chinese Army, to Reuter to-day.
Explaining China's new tactics, known in Chinese as "Chuan mien chan shu," or "entire area tactics," General Pai stated that hitherto in the Shanghai, Hsuehowfu, Taierchwang and Hankow fighting, the Chinese had practised positional warfare and also "regular warfare" tactics.
From now on the Chinese army would adopt a new type of strategy.

General Pai emphasised that the "entire tactics" will not be limited by a rear or front east, west, south or north.
The Chinese, he declared, will not fight for possession of a point or line but will seek to control an entire area.

SHANSI DEMONSTRATION
In practice, such tactics will be similar to those employed during the present fighting in Shansi, where "if the Japanese push southwards the Chinese force will move northwards, whereas if the Japanese push westward the Chinese will move eastward." Success of such tactics, General Pai said, had been demonstrated by the fact that six Japanese divisions are now stationed in Shansi "but are unable to control the province."
The Japanese forces so far had succeeded in occupying only a few points over large areas, he claimed.

CHINESE INITIATIVE
For example, they held only Tsingtao, Tsinanfu and Tsinning, in Shantung province, and Wuhu, Anking, Hefei and Pengpu in Anhwei province.
The Japanese, he declared, must station troops at widely scattered points in China, thereby restricting their movement, whereas the Chinese army, from now on, would strike wherever they liked.
General Pai in conclusion stated that the Chinese troops still occupy sections of the Peiping-Hankow Railway between Chengchow and Sinyang. — Reuter.

JAPANESE LINE STATIONARY

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The Japanese front south of the Yangtze remains unaltered, no progress having been made for several weeks.
The line runs from Hwang-shai on the Hankow-Canton Railway, about ninety kilometres north of Changsha, via Pingkiang to Yungshu, fifty kilometres north of Nanchang on the Kiukiang-Nanchang Railway.
The line is, however, not continuous and Chinese forces are holding large salients in this mountainous region. — Trans-Ocean.

A TOLSTOY AS SOVIET MINISTER

Sofia, Yesterday.
Alexei Tolstoy, grandson of the Russian novelist and moral philosopher, Count Leo Tolstoy, has been named as Soviet Minister to Sofia, a post which has been vacant since the mysterious disappearance in April last of the Soviet diplomat Rasokolnikoff. — Trans-Ocean.

TRINCOMALEE AS NEW R.A.F. BASE

London, Yesterday.
A new British air base is to be constructed at the harbour of Trincomalee, on Ceylon, according to the "Daily Telegraph."
The paper points out the strategic significance of this spot, which lies half way between the Gulf of Aden and Singapore. — Trans-Ocean.

DR. SCHACHT HOMEWARD BOUND

London, Yesterday.
The German Reichsbank President, Dr. Schacht, left London this morning.
The result of his London discussions, so far as financing of Jewish emigrants from Germany is concerned, are to be submitted to a conference of delegations of the Government offices dealing with this problem.
The conference is being called by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross.
An unfavourable attitude is adopted in to-day's "Times" and "Yorkshire Post" on the suggestion to finance Jewish emigration from Germany by additional German imports into Britain.
Whether the discussions between Dr. Schacht and representatives of the international Evian Committee resulted in establishing a basis for more official negotiations can only be ascertained after the various governments have answered the proposals.
A reply from the United States is expected as early as Monday, and from the other countries by the middle of next week. — Trans-Ocean.

67,000 JEWISH EMIGRANTS FROM AUSTRIA

Vienna, Yesterday.
Of Austria's 300,000 Jews, 67,000 emigrated during the period between March 15 and December 2, according to statistics printed by the "Neue Freie Presse" on the basis of official information.
Over 45,000 Jews left the country before August 1, 15,000 as refugees without permission of the state authorities.
Due to the increasing difficulty of entering other countries after August 1 the Reich Commissioner for Austria authorised creation of a central bureau known as the "central headquarters for Jewish emigration from Austria."
These headquarters are composed of twelve separate bureaux, which deal with tax question, police investigations, postal inspection, problems pertaining to real estate, and rent contracts.
The former Rothschild Palace has been taken over as a general Jewish emigration centre, and is at the present time one of the busiest spots in the city.
Constant connections are maintained with diplomatic representatives of foreign states, and Jews are required to apply here for all necessary documents for emigration. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH NAVAL BUDGET

Paris, Yesterday.
Total Budget of the French Naval Ministry for 1939 amounts to 8,174 milliard francs. These estimates will be discussed in the French Chamber in the next few days.
Of this amount, 2,674 milliards is for normal expenditure, particularly for maintenance of the present fleet, 5-1/2 milliards for new construction, improvement of naval bases and other new equipment.
By comparison with the previous year expenditure on maintenance of the fleet has increased by 22 per cent. and on new constructions by 124 per cent. — Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO-BRITISH TRADE PACT

Paris, Yesterday.
By a new Franco-British economic agreement signed last night, France undertakes to purchase from Great Britain 49.5 per cent. of coal imported. Great Britain undertakes to buy 38 to 41 per cent. of her entire import of mineral ores from France and Algeria. — Trans-Ocean.

SHOCKS FOR HOME TEAMS

London, Yesterday.
The following are the results of League matches played to-day:—

FIRST DIVISION	
Arsenal	4 Stoke 1
Aston Villa	2 Leeds 1
Blackpool	2 Birmingham 1
Brentford	2 M'chester U. 0
Derby	1 Middlesboro 4
Everton	1 Charlton 4
Grimsby	6 Leicester 1
Huddersfield	3 Preston 0
Portsmouth	2 Chelsea 1
Sunderland	2 Liverpool 3
Wolves	1 Bolton 1

SECOND DIVISION	
Blackburn	4 Plymouth 0
Bradford	4 West Brom. 4
Bury	3 Tottenham 1
Chesterfield	7 Notts F. 1
Fulham	1 Sheffield U. 2
Manchester C.	4 Norwich 1
Millwall	2 Luton 1
Wednesday	4 Burnley 1
Swansea	0 Newcastle 1
Tranmere	1 Coventry 2
West Ham	1 Southampton 2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
Aldershot	2 Bournemouth 1
Bristol C.	2 Walsall 1
Clapton	1 Ipswich 1
Crystal P.	6 Mansfield 2
Newport	2 Reading 0
Northampton	2 Bristol R. 1
Notts C.	4 Brighton 3
Port Vale	2 Southend 2
Swindon	2 Exeter 1
Torquay	1 Cardiff 3
Watford	4 Queen's Pk. R. 1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
Carlisle	0 Bradford C. 2
Crews	0 Hull 1
Darlington	3 Chester 3
Doncaster	3 Stockport 1
Gateshead	0 New Brighton 3
Hartlepool	1 Barrow 2
Rhodeside	2 Barnsley 1
Rotherham	2 Accrington 1
Southport	4 Lincoln 1
Wrexham	3 Halifax 2
York	4 Oldham 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION	
Arbroath	3 St. Johnstone 1
Celtic	3 St. Mirren 2
Falkirk	2 Partick 5
Hearts	0 Hamilton 3
Kilmarnock	1 Clyde 4
Motherwell	3 Hibernian 2
Queen O.S.	3 Queen's Park 2
Raith	1 Albion 1
Rangers	5 Aberdeen 2
Third Lanark	3 Ayr 2

SECOND DIVISION	
Airdrie	4 St. Bernards 3
Brechin	2 Dunfermline 2
Cowdenbeath	6 Edinburgh 1
Dumbarton	2 Montrose 2
Dundee	1 Alloa 4
East Fife	2 S'housemuir 4
Forfar	2 Dundee U. 1
*King's Park	v Morton
Leith	6 East Stirling 3

* Postponed, ground unfit. — Reuter.

LONDON-LISBON AIR SERVICE

London, Yesterday.
A new regular air service between London and Lisbon is to be opened on January 2.
The distance of roughly 1450 kilometres, will be covered within five hours in a non-stop flight by twin-engined Lockheed machines.
Letters will be carried at regular rates without air mail fee.
The line London to Lisbon is the first stage of a planned regular air route from London to South America to be opened during 1939. — Trans-Ocean.

FARR BEATEN

New York, yesterday.—Lee Novs last night outpointed Tommy Farr, formerly of Great Britain, in their 15 rounds heavy-weight clinching contest at the Madison Square Garden. — Reuter.

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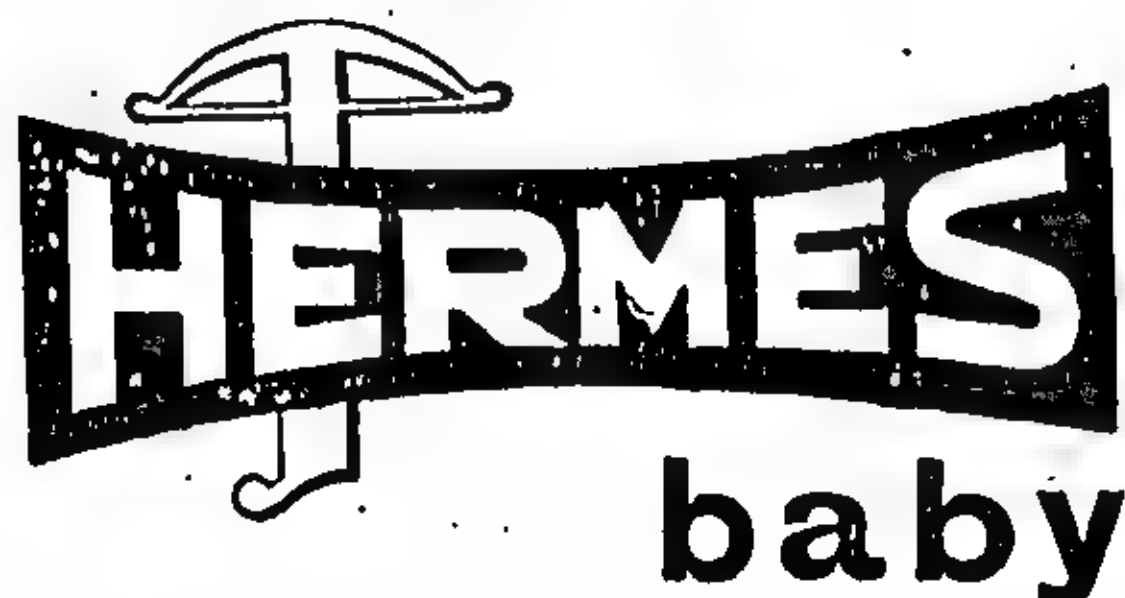
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Major General A. W. Bartholomew, General Officer Commanding the British Troops in China, who left last week. (Bann's Studio).



Dr. C. T. Wang, former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, who arrived in Hong Kong recently in the Clipper. The above picture was taken in 1937 just after his appointment. (Bann's Studio).



Glimpses from "Cinderella", the Y.M.C.A. Panto. Top: The Lords, and Below: The Kiddies.



Mrs. Wallington, wife of Mr. H. G. Wallington of the Education Department, who returned from home leave recently. (Bann's Studio).



Photo taken at the Registry when Miss Elizabeth Morrison Wells became the bride of Mr. J. Hurst. (Bann's Studio).



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Choy married recently at the Supreme Court. (Bann's Studio).

The Week's Photography

THIS MONTH'S
SUBJECT:
'COMEDY PHOTOS'



JUDGING by the entries received to date I gather that this month's subject has not exactly "taken," and it may be that entrants, or more correctly amateurs, considering entering are not quite sure of their ground as what constitutes a comedy photograph. Actually such a competition covers a very wide field and I am afraid a list of possible subjects would prove a lengthy one for this page. However, since there are a few more Sundays left in which to feature this subject here are a few suggestions which you can consider.

Quite recently I came across illustrations in a photographic publication of the amusing and interesting shots secured by using mirrors. Some of these were

"Laurel and Hardy of the Orient." By Y. K. Leung.

self-portraits deliberately distorted, and very amusing they proved to be.

A favourite topic also is the humorous situation provided by the actions of children and young animals or sometimes a combination of both. In my experience

By "Shutter"

such subjects have generally proved to be the most popular of all, and I am really surprised at the dearth of entries of this type.

Another source is that unfortunate situation in which we sometimes find ourselves, when every vestige of dignity has vanished. Perhaps it is as well there are no candid cameras about at these times but human nature being what it is, snaps of such situations are usually very well received by others.

Silhouette photography is another branch which can be successfully tapped for humorous subjects. In fact, I have seen very little of this done in Hong Kong at any time. Years ago silhouettes were very popular around Christmas time and many amateurs used their best ones for Christmas and New Year greeting cards. One advantage is that facial expressions count for very little and so long as the subject sits still a good, intimate rendering can be obtained. Then there is the semi-silhouette which is rather more personal and very



"UNDER THE SPRINKLER". By Y. K. Leung.

effective when properly done. Mr. Y. K. Leung's two entries and Mr. Manning's "After the Match" are examples of other subjects, quite good in their way. I envied Mr. Manning's fortune in securing such an interested group in the background. I have tried so often to get something similar for another purpose and, although I have used the usual dodges, I have never succeeded very well yet.

"Shutter".

A reader writes:—"The routine on taking a foreign made camera into England is that everyone has to pay duty according to the value

to prove its identity.

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"After the Match, or Hero Worship." By R. P. Manning.

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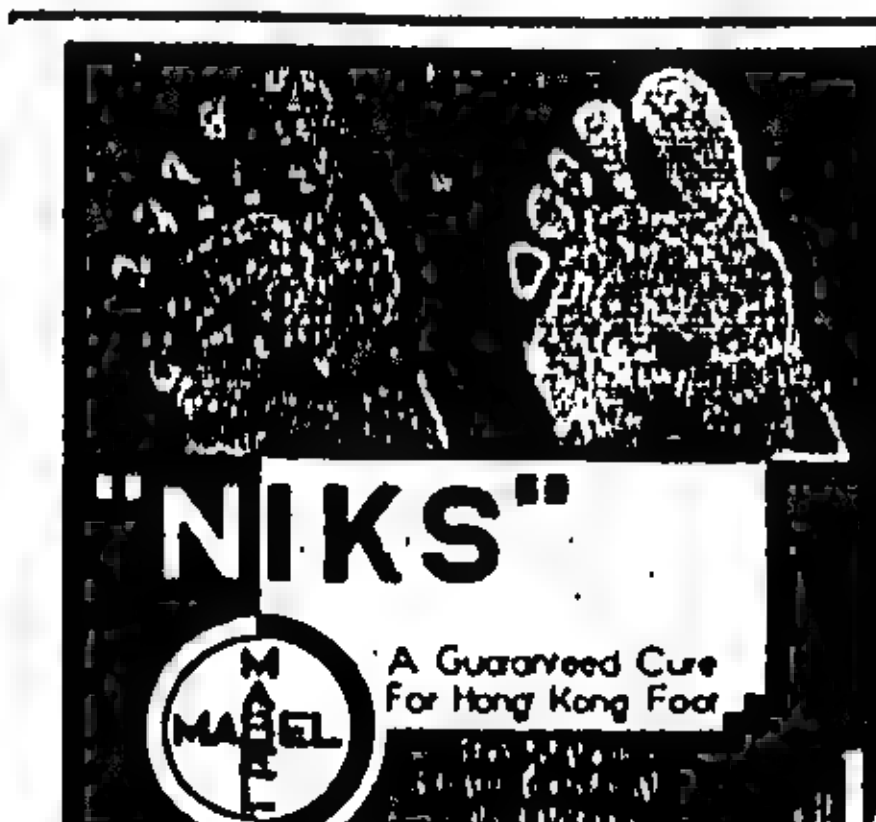
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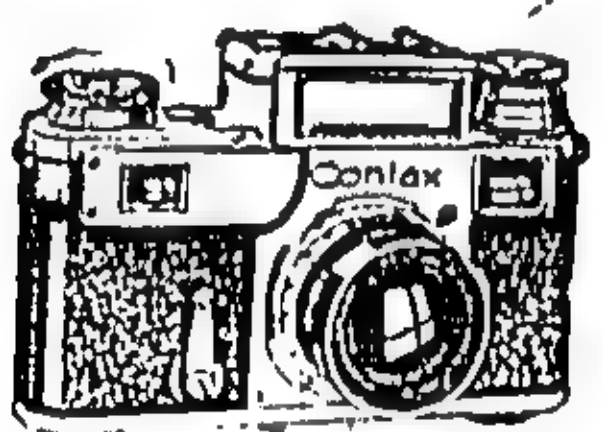
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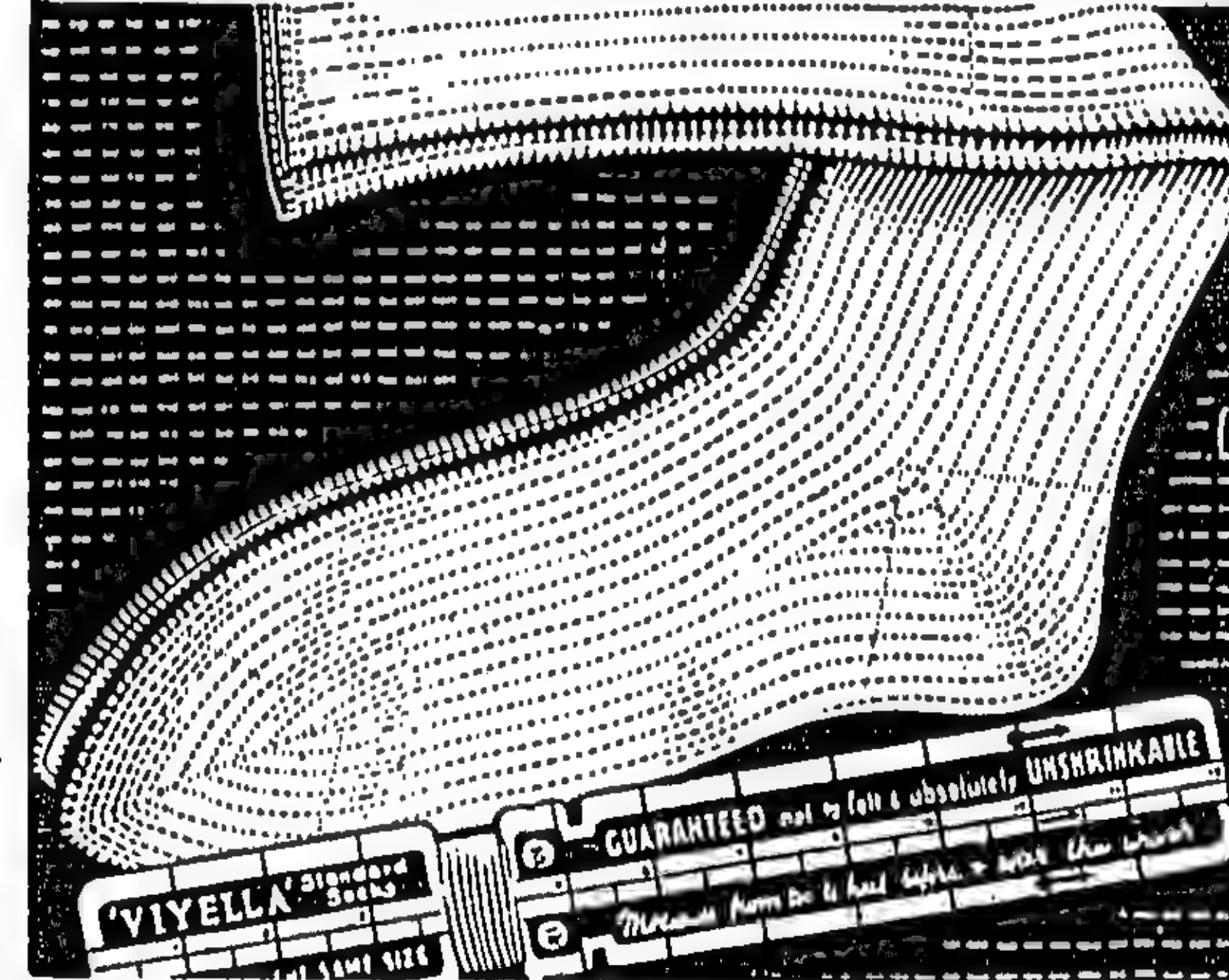
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Cynic's Eye View Of Hollywood



WHETHER or not Los Angeles in general and Hollywood in particular have any fascination for you depends, as it does almost anywhere else in the world, on what you consider fascinating. There is, however, a difference. World voyagers and connoisseurs of geographic excitements are almost unanimous in recommending the delights of such established manifestations of man and nature as the Vale of Cashmere, Raffles Hotel, the Blue Grotto, the Maritime Alps, and the prospect of Fuji from the north, south, east, or west or through the window of the nearest rice-wine palace. To some, Hollywood is doubtless one of the glamour scenes of the world, but to others it is little better than a sort of communal emetic, an esthetic Micky Finn.

If you visit Hollywood as a true amateur of fatuities, treasuring each improbable gaucherie, every meretricious detail of a scheme of living which would have frightened Mr. Swift's Yahoos out of their wits, every evidence in support of the worst that foreigners can imagine of the American scene, you will find some justification for your worst fears. If, on the other hand, you derive satisfaction from a semitropical civilisation which affords a tolerably abundant living to thousands who hardly exert themselves to more than collecting metaphorical breadfruit; which fairly teems with celebrities who supply the ingredient of glitter and romance to half the world—then Hollywood is a fertile field for exploration.

THE outstanding characteristics of Hollywood, as divorced from its geographical and municipal association with Los Angeles, are the most frightening traffic and the fastest driving ever to astonish the moderate motorist; a complete absence, to the visual perception, of any uniformed police force; the politest and handsomest gasoline-station attendants known; two of the snootiest restaurants in North America populated by a bewildering multiplicity of authentic celebrities; a uniform sun tan which makes the entire population virtually Negroid and is generally believed to be compellingly erotic; an ominous prevalence of drive-in hot-dog kennels where fearsome compounds called "ham hots" are served at the wheel of your car; barber shops where it is absolutely necessary to be shaved or singed by appointment at least two days in advance; one of the world's very best apartment hotels called the Town House; a department store (Bullock's Wilshire) which will drive you out of your wits with the loveliness of every item stocked; and a recognised tradition which requires that the entire morning of every day be spent on the telephone sending or receiving intelligence of the outrageous and wonderful conduct of Gene Fowler last night at the Trocadero.

THE famed gaiety of Hollywood's routs is apt, to the eye of the casual observant traveller, to resolve itself into a form public night life which, allowing for its peculiar lapses in

taste and costume, is as decorous as that of any Junior Assembly in the land. The uninhibited screaming, slats-pasting, and coupe-wrecking of an earlier day are one with the dodo and the Druidic mysteries. Rowdy-dow is strictly a private manifestation, although there is a wealth of legend about it at any time, and the only notables who let down their back hair in public to make spectacles of themselves are admitted has-beens, now on the down side and through with the films forever.

TELEPHONES at tables during meals are one of the most accurate indexes to Hollywood's idea of chichi and the grand manner. They are almost as universal and quite as affected as dark glasses, but no star, director, or executive of any account dares to sit through a meal without having a phone ostentatiously installed at his place and having a conversation of impressive length. It is simply the modern version of having oneself paged in a hotel lobby.

BETWEEN the very Ritz Carlton menu prices of W. R. Wilkinson's restaurants and the twenty-cent lunches of the drive-ins, there are a number of establishments of moderate price which are particularly attractive to executives and film officials who can afford whatever they please but are not necessarily on parade whenever they address themselves to chicken Jeanette or lobster Savannah. Among them is the resort of Dave Chassen (former stooge to Joe Cook) called the Southern Pit; others are the Cinebar and Cinegrill and Ted Snyder's, where outsiders are discouraged but which shelters, as distinguished a clientele of professional celebrities as any restaurant in the land. The story goes that in the early days of the Southern Pit, when business was not booming as it later did, Edward MacNamara was discovered all alone at a table one night by a friend who inquired what he was doing in such a deserted place. "I'm a stand-in for a customer," said MacNamara.

THERE is, however, one characteristic of all or any of these places not encountered in noted restaurants elsewhere in the world: their standard of excellence, no matter what heights it may achieve on occasion, varies with the individual patron, and the service, unless you are a friend of the house or a recognised celebrity, is more than likely to be lamentable in the extreme. Hollywood restaurateurs, their maitre d'hôtels, captains, waiters, bus boys, and barmen suffer from an extreme of snobism which can make the blood pressure of an average patron mount to communist proportions.

MARY, QUITE CONTRARY

EVER since Mary Astor's diary was read aloud in a Los Angeles court, the diarist has been struggling for a come back to stardom.

The diary proved that Columbia's erstwhile star was an actress who tore herself to tatters off stage and was so frank about it that excerpts from certain passages had America gasping.

Sweet and dainty, Mary on and off the set doesn't look the part that public opinion and a world press gave her.

Featured last week with Joan Blondell and Melvyn Douglas in "There's Always A Woman," she played the part of a bereaved wife who turns out to be a cold-blooded murderess.

The picture, one of the funniest of 1938, had no laughs for Mary, but the two shots on this page were taken before the cameras began to grind in earnest.

Top-right shows her on the set staged for Melvyn Douglas' grilling of suspected parties. The perfectly cut formal has classical simplicity that blends with the



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Britain's "Mystery-Gun"

The Bren Gun Makes Every Infantryman A Machine Gunner

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The weapon is the Bren Gun, originally a product of the Czechoslovak Arms Manufacturing Company of Brno, hailed by many as the greatest achievement in light ordnance since the war and belittled by others as a failure from the start.

Its actual specifications are a deep and closely guarded secret. No two diagrams or descriptions of the weapon are alike.

No military expert can be found in England or elsewhere who is ready and willing to lift the mantle of secrecy that shrouds it from muzzle to stock. No one knows its true efficacy

in war time, for widespread opportunity for its use has not yet been presented.

The Bren gun is a striking departure from the Lewis gun used by Britain throughout the last war. While actual specifications are secret, pictures of the new gun have been published, and it is well established that the Bren is a good deal lighter than its predecessor.

The Lewis, a cumbersome weapon, weighed 31 pounds. The Bren gun weighs but 21. Both use bullets of .303 caliber but, because of radical improvements in the magazine chamber, the Bren is hailed as a much faster gun.

Britain's original Lewis had a magazine atop the barrel capable of holding 47 rounds of ammunition. When the 47 shots were exhausted, the magazine had to be replaced, resulting invariably in loss of valuable time. The Bren, on the other hand, has a curved cartridge container above the barrel. Each magazine holds thirty cartridges and a new one need only be dropped in the upper aperture when the old one is exhausted. Allowing for the time necessary to complete this simple operation, a soldier will be able to fire 120 round a minute.

In connection with the secrecy surrounding the gun, it is interesting to note that the first description published by the London Illustrated News credited the Bren with a capacity of 500 rounds a minute, an obvious impossibility for a shoulder gun.

The question of recoil has been raised in connection with the Bren gun in a serious manner. The weapon is designed for use in three ways—as a rifle, as a machine-gun and as an anti-aircraft gun. If used as a machine-gun and fired from the shoulder, some experts believe that no man could stand the shock of 120 recoils a minute, and even when placed upon the "bipod" at the front, designed to serve as a support, would have a tremendous kick-back.

Another openly-voiced criticism of the Bren is the curved cartridge chamber. Many experts believe that in the excitement of battle and with the gun heated, such a chamber would be likely to jam, but on the other hand others say that Britain would hardly place its faith in a weapon that had not been tested to the utmost under the most trying conditions.

There is no question that Britain attaches great importance to the Bren as an improvement in infantry warfare. Hardly had the ink dried on the recent Anglo-French plan for partition of Czechoslovakia when the government went to work and made sure that the licenses obtained from the original patent owners would remain in force regardless of the future.

Britain has also made arrangements with the Canadian government for manufacture of Bren guns in Canada, both for equipping Canadian troops and for shipment to England. If she is permitted to, Czechoslovakia also will continue with manufacture of the Bren, distributing the guns as speedily as they are completed to Czech troops throughout the country.



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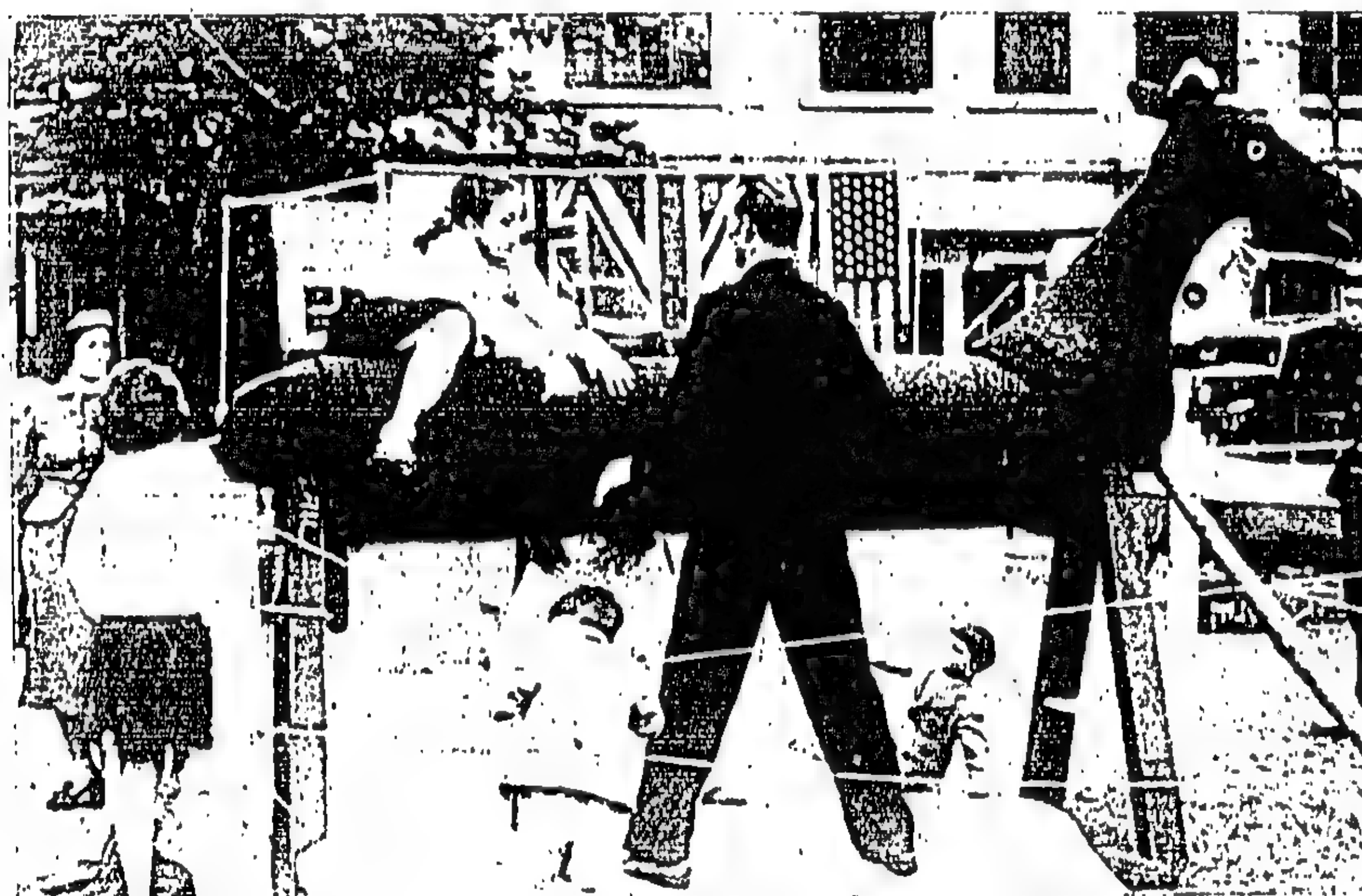
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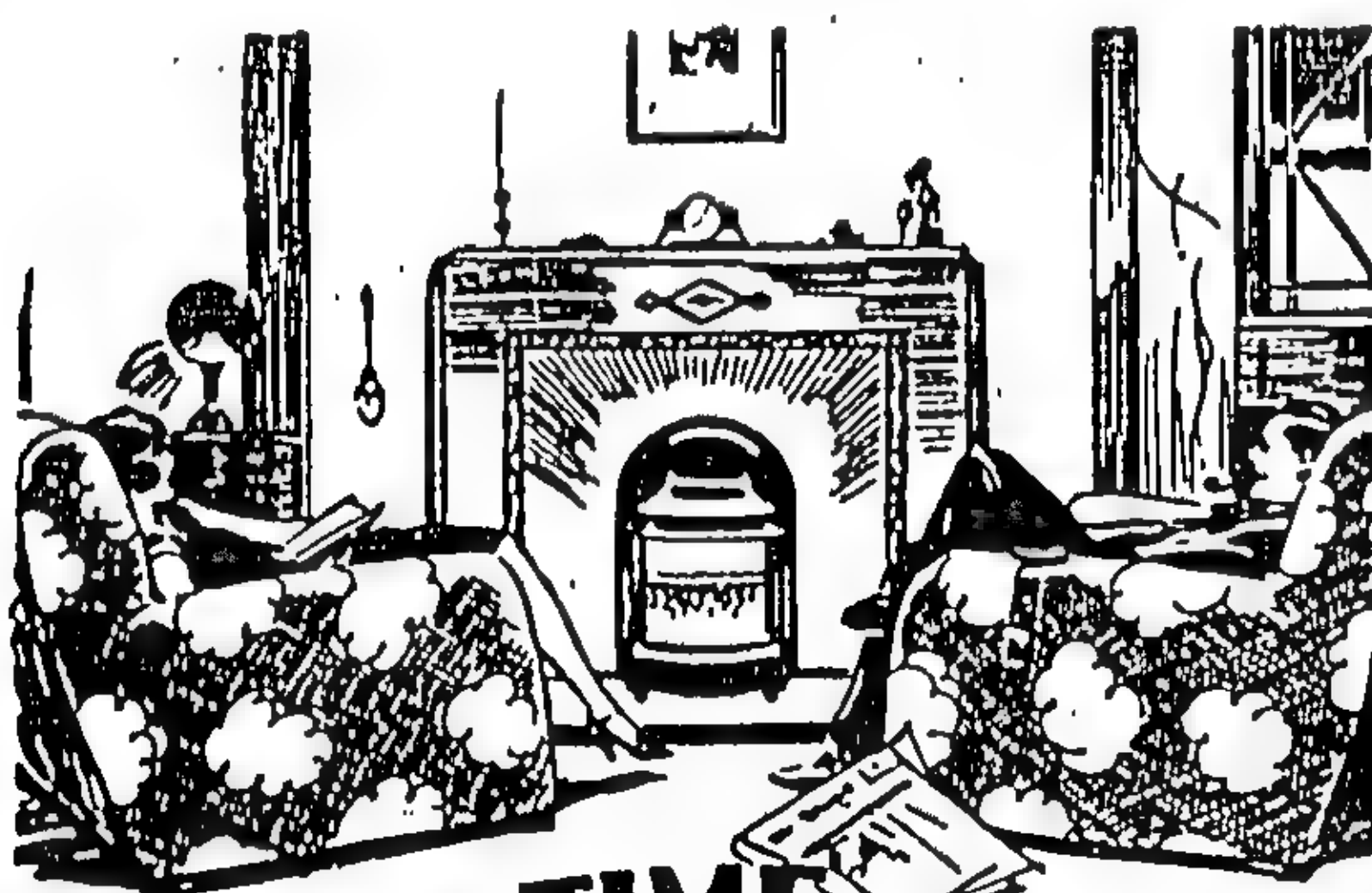
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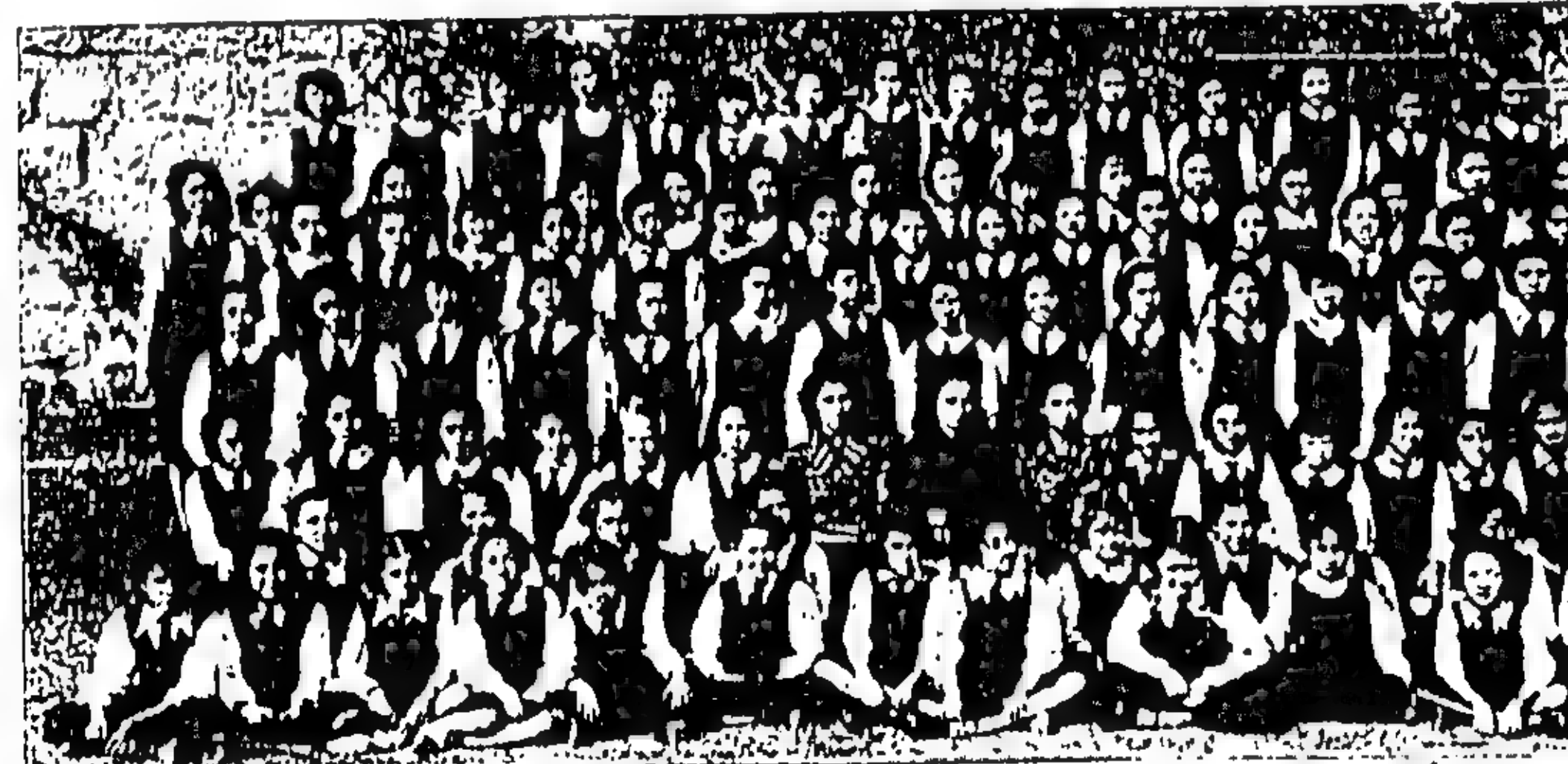
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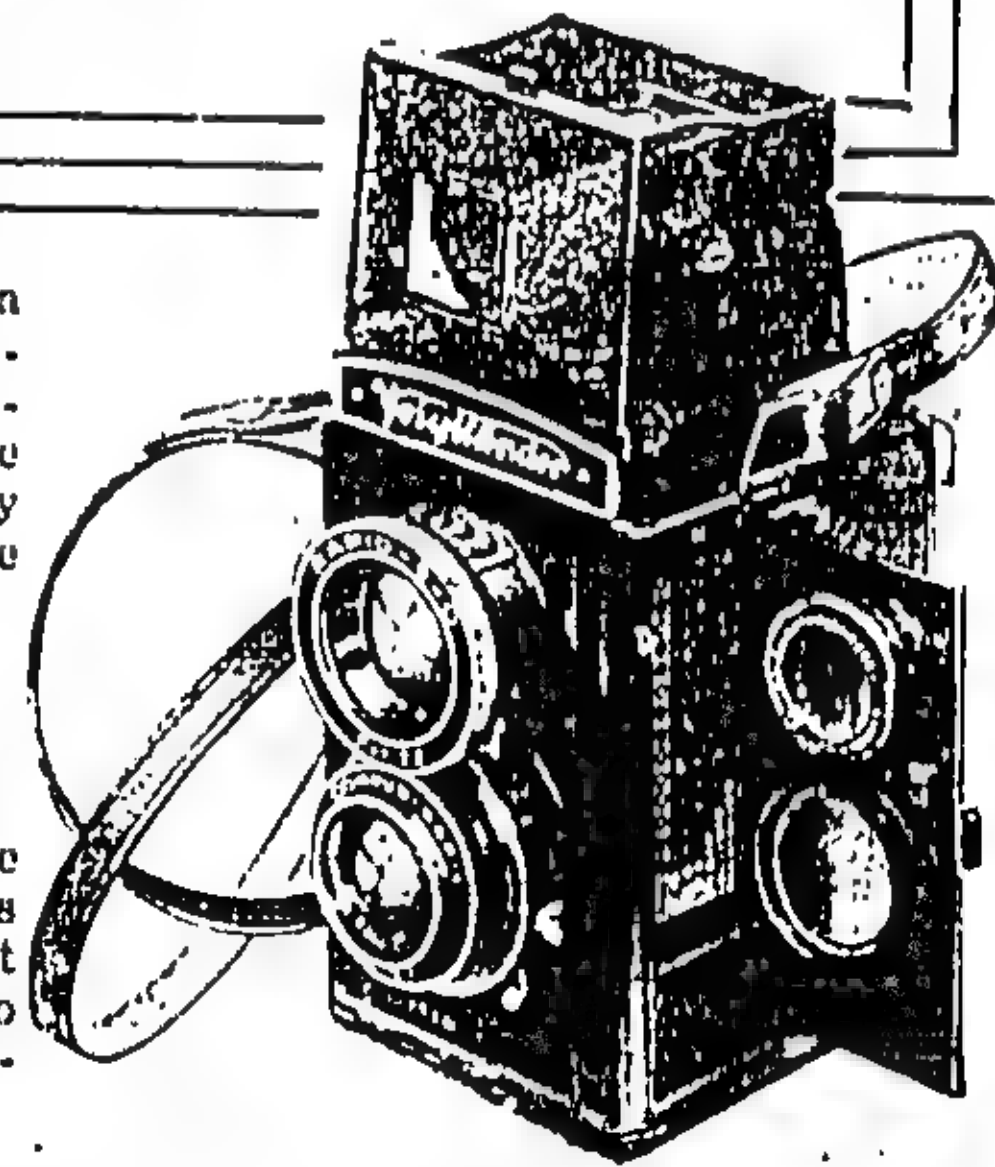
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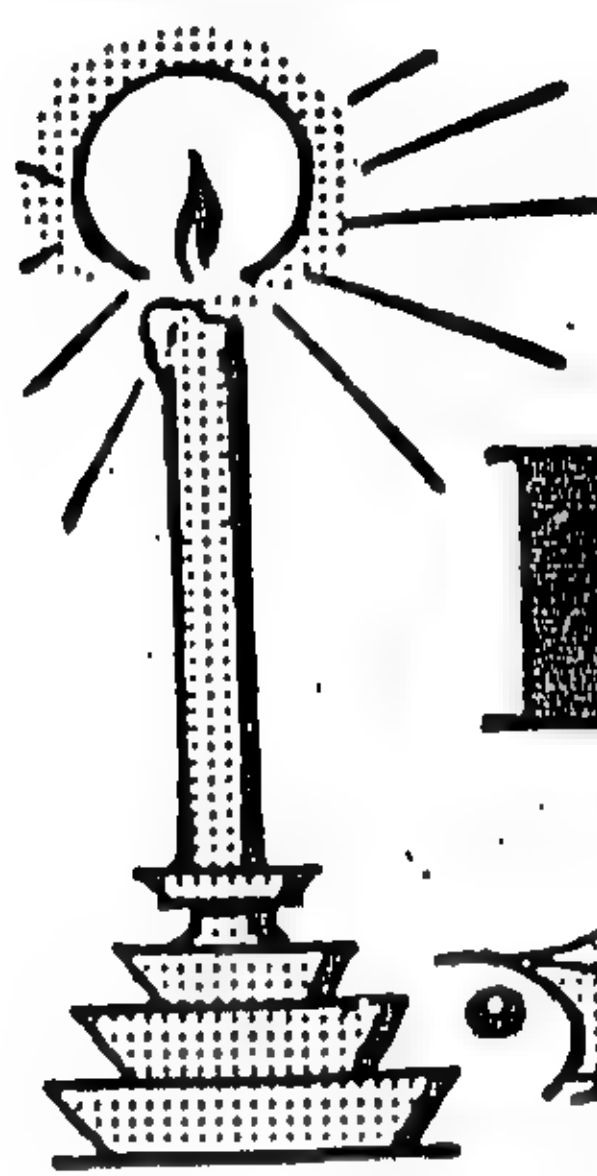
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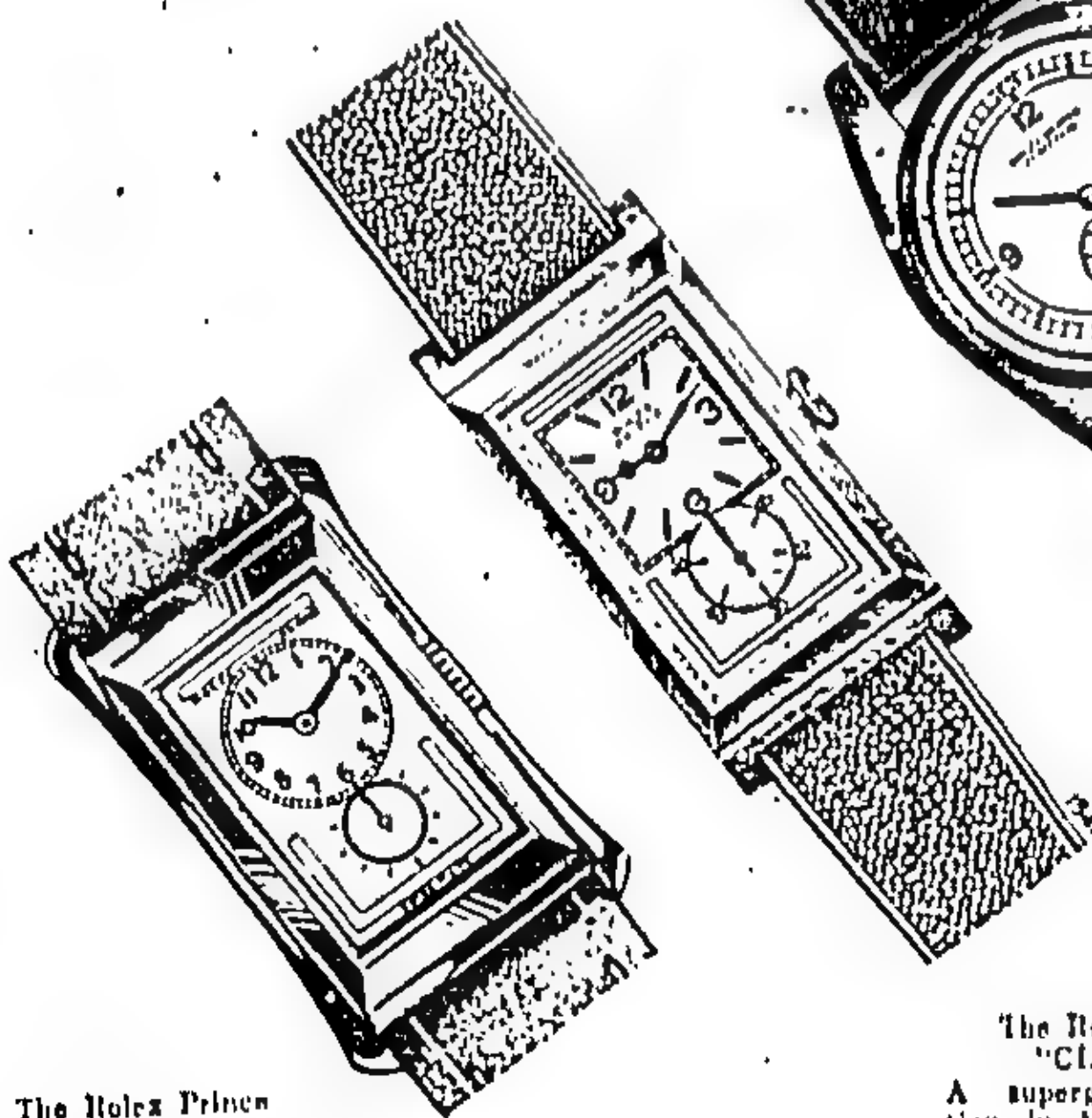
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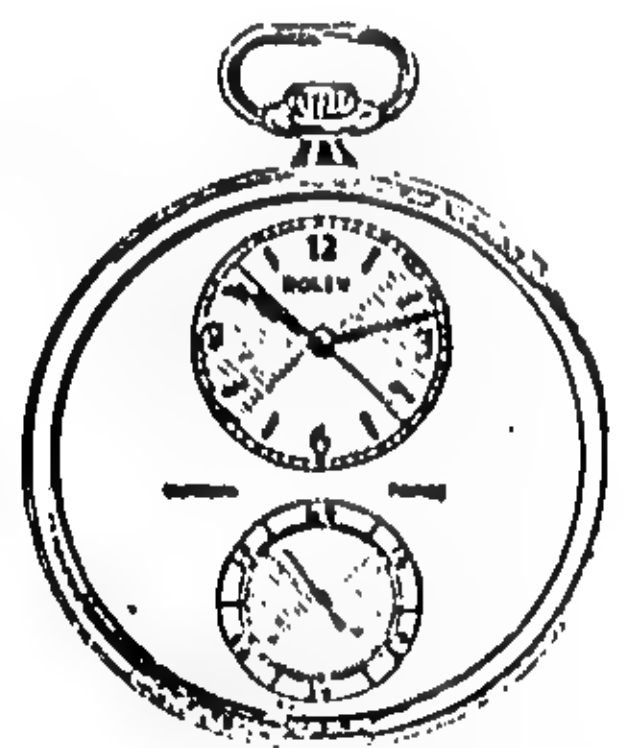


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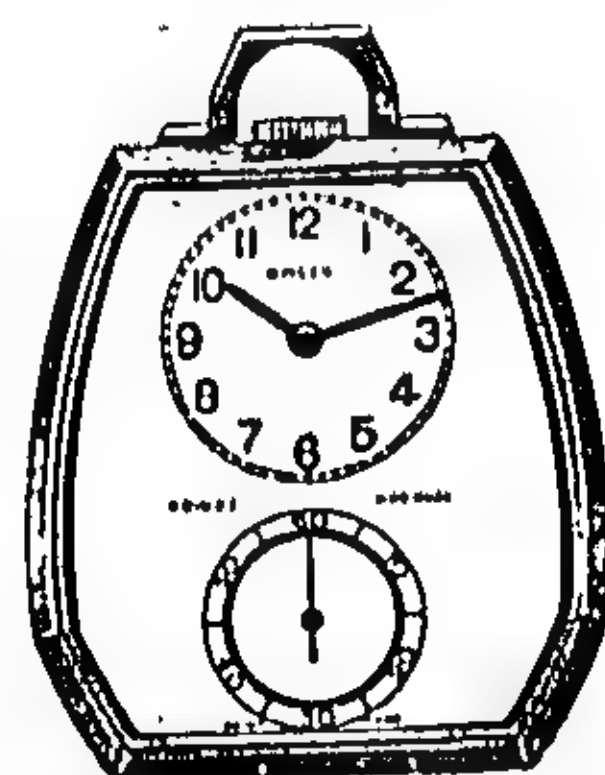
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Movie Mamas

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A baby's big cost isn't in the fee for ushering him into the world—though that's plenty—nor in the style in which he is received. And that's usually bountiful. But he costs mama from 16 to 32 weeks' salary, and can cost her a career. Nothing fades more quickly than box office popularity when a star is absent from the screen.

Being off the screen for several months isn't like taking a leave of absence from an office job, or even quitting it and finding a new job a year later. The more popular a star is, the more reluctant is her studio to see her go into total eclipse. Newer stars appear, also, only too glad of the opportunity to take an important role that a mother-minded actress must relinquish.

So the movie mamas can't spend much time admiring their new infants or taking things easy. Most of them go back to work sooner than other job-hold-

ers do, though their work is strenuous and under constant nervous tension. Joan Blondell, between scenes of "Unfit to Print," said with amusement that most people didn't seem to think an actress' baby was born like everyone else's—they believe it's done with mirrors.

"While I was in the hospital—and had been there about nine days," she said, "I heard a couple of women talking outside my door. They were saying, 'That's Joan Blondell in there . . . had a baby . . . she's been here a month and a half . . . Well, these movie people are lucky. If they haven't got anything else to do, they might as well stay in bed.'"

"But I was back at the studio just seven weeks after Ellen was born, for portrait sittings and wardrobe fittings for the next picture. I took off six months for her, and four months for Normie. (Her 3½-year-old son, Norman Scott.) There was a month out for appendicitis, too. That made 11 months in all that I missed at the studio."

A studio's only recourse is to take a player off salary during her absence and to extend her contract a corresponding number of weeks. She cannot be penalized, however great a loss she may cause her company, because her baby is an Act of God. That definition and legal precedent was established by Helen Hayes several years ago when she was sued for breach of contract by a New York stage producer whose show was closed by his star's delicate condition.

But an actress playing a real-life, young-mother role does lose a lot of salary. Say that Miss Blondell earns \$1750 a week, which is very close to the exact figure, and does not count her radio earnings. Then the advent of small Ellen Powell cost her \$42,000. It makes no difference that the mother's contract has been extended 24 weeks, because that length of time has been lost from her career.

Although she was less expensive in actual dollars Wendy Machamer, this year's daughter of Illustrator Jefferson Machamer and Twentieth-Fox Actress Pauline Moore, was more costly, in that she might have ruined her mother's chance for a screen career. A total of four months' absence from the screen meant about \$8000 out of Miss Moore's earnings, but she is not a star and her studio easily might have replaced her.

Paramount didn't know whether to approve or soft pedal Dorothy Lamour (the wife of Band Leader Herbie Kay) when she announced publicly that she would like to take time out for a baby. One of the busiest of actresses, she no sooner had finished "Her Jungle Love" than she went into "Spawn of the North," and immediately after into "St. Louis Blues." She since has amended her remark by saying she will plan a leave of absence in a couple of years when she is making more money.

But the fans were all for Miss Lamour and her mail doubled with congratulatory, encouraging letters. The public's approving



interest is the studio's best consolation for a blessed event, because it brings good publicity. When a starling does arrive, after early announcement and frequent reminder in the press, it is a legitimate occasion for pictures, proud papa quotes and daily reports on the baby's health and appearance.

WHERE movie parents go haywire—and typically fond parent—is in the nursery. The record was set some three years ago and still is held by Evelyn Venable and Hal Mohr. Nets outside the windows anticipated the day when the Mohr heiress would go exploring. The floor was covered with a soft-rubber composition suitable for bouncing. Analysed vegetable-base paints were used on all the nursery furniture. A solarium was built adjoining the baby suite, and burglar alarms were installed in a maze of wires inside and out.



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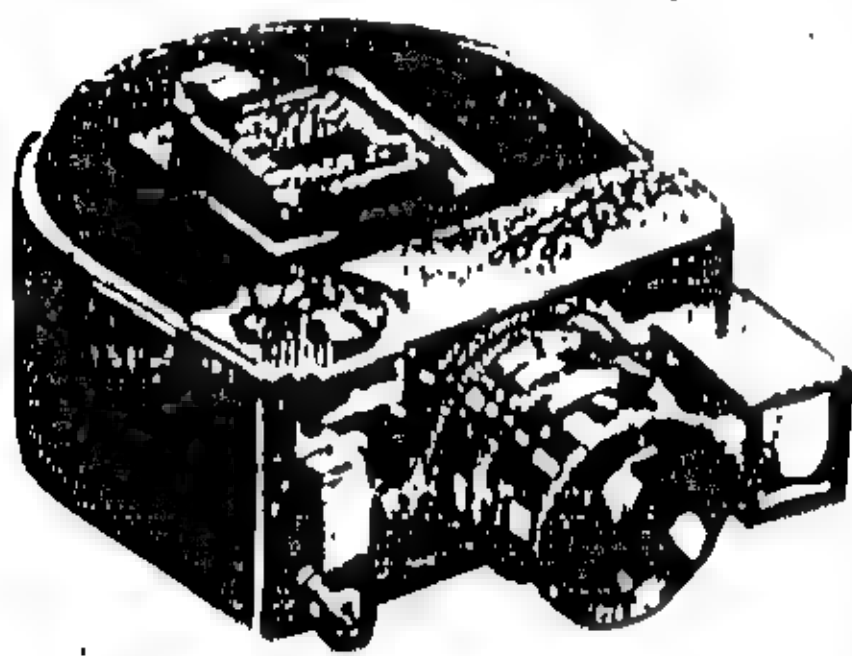
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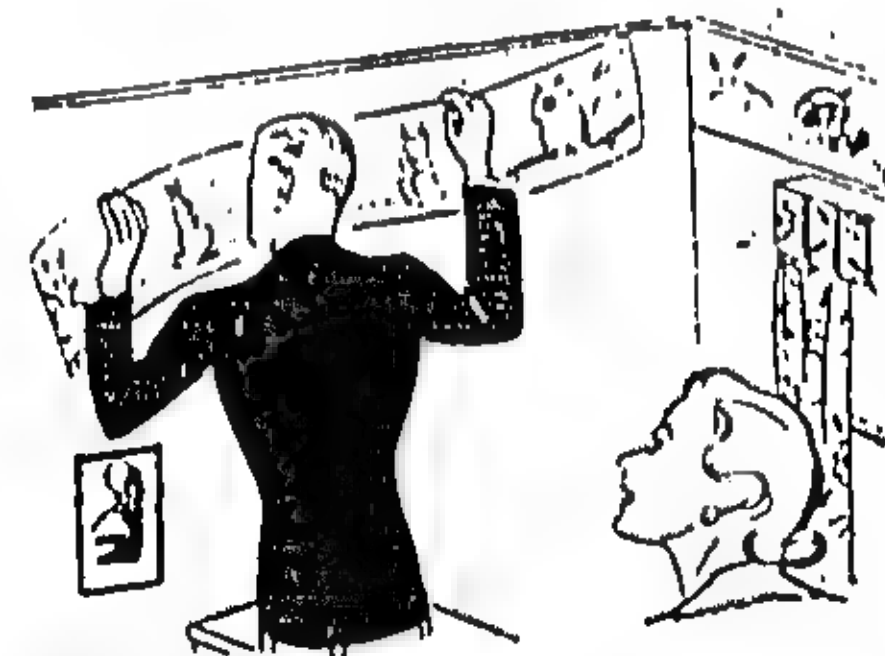
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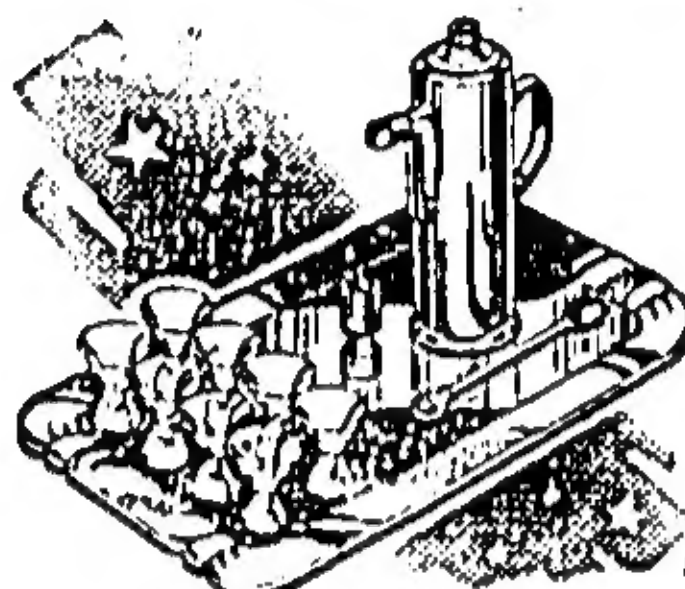
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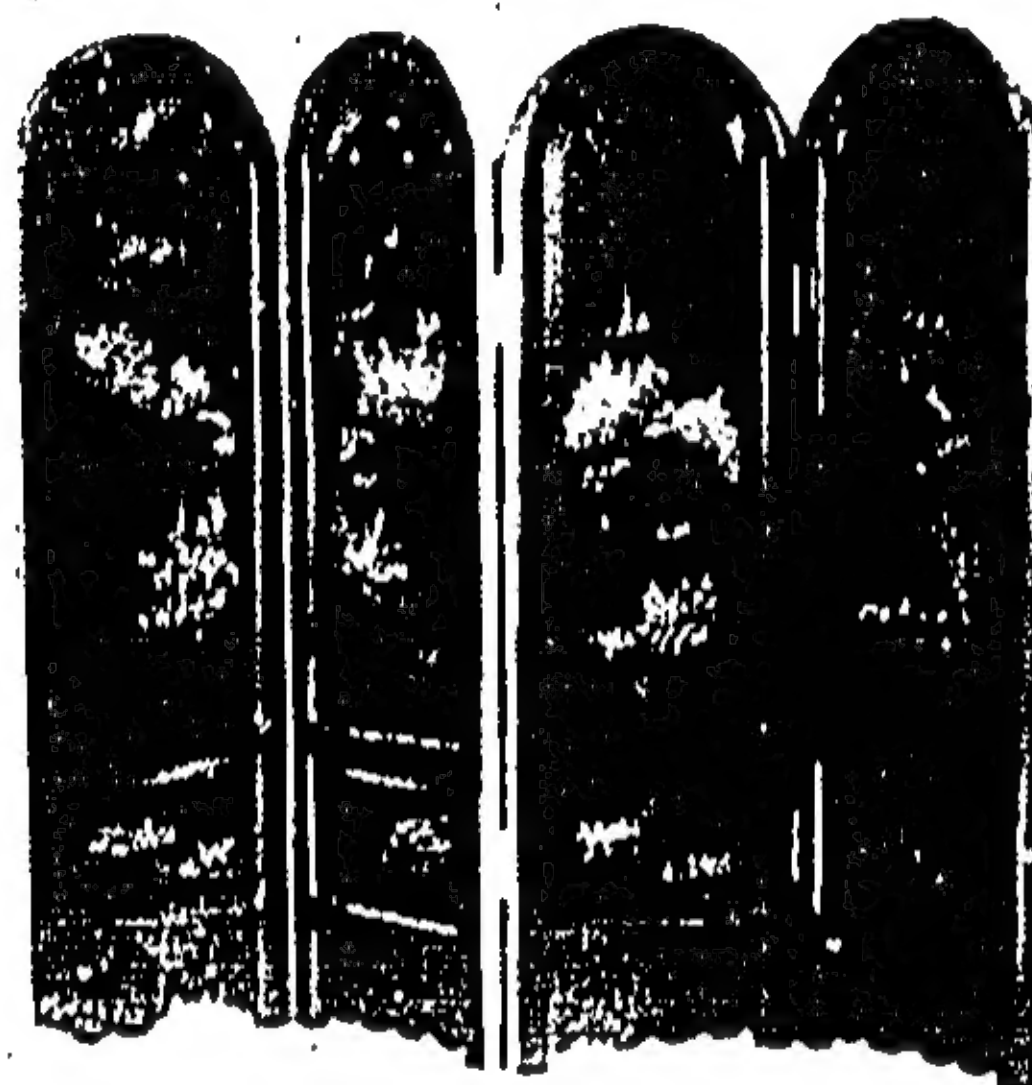
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Tommy's Letter Home

Impressions Of Army Life In Hong Kong

My dear Mother and Dad,
WELL, here I am at long last in far off Cathay as the poet would say. As you know I travelled out in the luxury liner "Lancashire". I shared a magnificent stateroom with 200 other fellows and was able to achieve one of my life's ambitions by sleeping in a hammock. We had a number of seniors to tend to our comfort. The Ship's Sergeant Major, a sort of purser, saw that we did not do too many guards and the Troop Deck Sergeant who is a sort of steward saw us to bed every night before turning the lights out. I'm afraid that he was just a little bit idle as on several occasions he failed to bring me my early morning cup of tea. Needless to say I did not tip him when we landed.

THERE were also a number of officers and lesser fry who helped make this voyage a memorable one. My heart bled for the Second Class passengers who had to put up with chicken for every meal whilst we were being fed on very nourishing stews. The poor devils only had the choice of three cereals for breakfast. I saw very little of the First Class passengers as they were confined to about half of the ship. The few that I did see looked very unhappy and were obviously travelling in great discomfort.

MY first impressions of Hong Kong were somewhat confused. The first thing which struck me was the extraordinary number of Chinese that there are here. They are a very curious people. They work very hard. The men wear skirts and the women wear trousers. I can almost hear Dad saying that there is nothing new in this.

THERE are a great number of troops in Hong Kong. The largest body of these is the infantry. I shouldn't like to belong to this branch of the service as they have to work very hard. Most of them live in wooden huts on the outskirts of Kowloon. They spend a great deal of time in pill boxes on the tops of the mountains or being sent to Shanghai in emergencies. Of course they don't count socially.

MY own corps, the Ordnance, is by far the best unit to belong to. We are all very skilled, and without us the army would be of very little use. We keep very much to ourselves but now and again we patronize the functions of other units so that we don't hurt their feelings. They all appreciate this kindness very much.

THE other corps are very quaint. First there is the Royal Army Service Corps. They deal with supplies and transport. They have bakers who are good butchers and butchers who are better bakers. Everyone on the transport side seems to be issued with a car of some sort and it seems that the more junior you are bigger the vehicle that you get. So a private usually drives a three ton lorry if there isn't a five tonner available. A Lance Corporal drives a staff car, usually a rather posh saloon with a flag on the front whilst a Corporal gets an Austin seven. The sergeants all have motor bikes and the Sergeant Major walks to work.

THEN there are the Royal Engineers whose ways are beyond the comprehension of mere man. I expect it will be many years before I really understand them. I do know however that part of their work is the maintenance of buildings etc. For instance, if a drain gets blocked up, you send for the Engineers. After a couple of weeks an Officer, a Warrant officer, a couple of Staff Sergeants and possibly a sergeant to make notes come along and spend the morning examining it. Two or three days later a solitary Chinese coolie comes along and fixes it. All this will seem very strange to you but this is known in the army as going through the usual channels which is more than the drain does.

Next in order of quaintness come the Royal Army Pay Corps. They are all very good at tennis and are also skilled in billiards and snooker. In their spare time they do their best to keep us in debt.

Last but not least there is the Army Educational Corps. I don't suppose that you have ever heard of them. The powers that be, whose perverted sense of humour seems to have got the better of them in this instance have ordered that the army shall be educated. Even I have to go to school and I finished up in standard 7.

We have just finished manoeuvres. I was part of the enemy. We went to sea on the Aircraft Carrier "Eagle" and landed at one o'clock one morning at Repulse Bay. We dislodged the defenders after a stiff climb of about 900 feet. The best work however was done by our Headquarter Staff who captured the Repulse Bay Hotel in spite of their small numbers and the licensing laws.

I am studying the language and have made considerable progress. I already know two words: Huh which means "would you like a ricksha Sir?" and Cumshaw which being interpreted means roughly "Buddy can you spare a dime."

Tell Dad that the beer here is rotten after the Old and mild from the Nags Head and so we nearly all drink tea nowadays.

Your loving son,
JIM.

Do You Know Answers

1. The National Socialist Government was formed in Germany in 1933.
2. boat
3. higher than when the locomotive is at rest or receding
4. peso
5. lace making
6. Joseph P. Kennedy
7. the sea
8. variegated
9. Metronome
10. Genghis Khan
11. How are you, Mr. Vice-President?
12. Junius, father of Edwin and John Wilkes
13. sip soup from the side of the spoon
14. infectious diseases
15. Bronteo
16. city in France
17. William Tell
18. Tuesday
19. milk.



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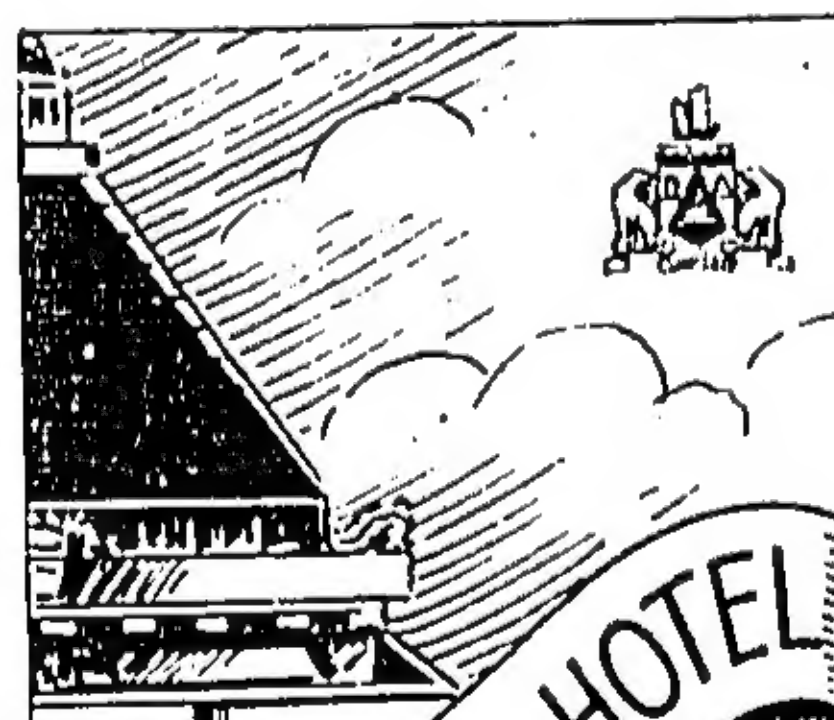
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1. You should have no difficulty in picking out the true statement here:

Present-day Germany is culturally supreme.

Japan has a larger population than China.

Hitler recently invited all the Jews in Germany to a big party in Berlin.

The National Socialist Government was formed in Germany in 1933.

2. Even Southern Californians may not know that a snow is a:

dwarf Norwegian dish cold shoulder boat dope fiend blubberhead

3. When a whistling locomotive approaches a listener, the pitch of the note is:

always the first note of "Casey Jones."

higher than when the locomotive is at rest or receding.

lower than when the locomotive is at rest or receding.

the same as when the locomotive is at rest or receding.

4. We count our wealth in dollars, but the Mexicans calculate theirs by the:

peseta peso cucaracha lira pisa tequilla

5. The punto in aria, or the stitch in the air, is a term applied to:

sky writing sleep-walking the Big Apple swing music lace making smoking

6. The American Ambassador to the Court of St. James is a business man:

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7. If you've ever read "The Nigger of the Narcissus," "Youth," or "The Shadow Line," you know that Joseph Conrad wrote great stories about:

puppy-love fairies the sea care of the teeth New Orleans horses

8. If kaleidoscopic is too long a word for you to use, try one of the following which is a synonym for it:

poignant illuminating silly variegated polyvalent captivating

9. A little instrument indicates and marks exact time in music. It is called a:

Metis Meter Methyl Meteor Metronome Metabolism

10. Polo, the fast horse and stick game, dates back to:

Cleopatra Ponce de Leon Marco Polo Paul Revere Genghis Khan Julius Caesar

11. A certain type of small earthen pot is called a:

pipette pippy pipkin pipit potluck

12. One of these Booths was a parent of two other Booths listed here.

Edwin Evangeline Telephone William John Wilkes Junius

13. When dining at the home of your prospective mother-in-law it is advisable to:

wipe your silverware before using it sip soup from the side of the spoon

chew with your mouth open offer her a drink from a pocket flask

14. A yellow flag flying from a ship's mast is a sign of:

mutiny infectious diseases Chinese piracy The League of Nations

15. Charlotte Bronte, author of the famous "Jane Eyre," pronounced her last name:

Bronx Bronta Bronteh Bront Brontee Cohen

16. Cognac, brandy derives its name from a:

city in France French merchant fruit monk

monastery French mule

17. One of these men is famous for supposedly having shot an apple off his son's head:

Telegonus Tannhauser William Tell William Teller Gabriel Telez Texas Pete

18. If the 13th day of the month falls on Thursday, what day of the week will the 25th be:

Monday Sunday Thursday Saturday Tuesday Ash Wednesday

19. Weigh a gallon of milk and a gallon of cream. Which is heavier:

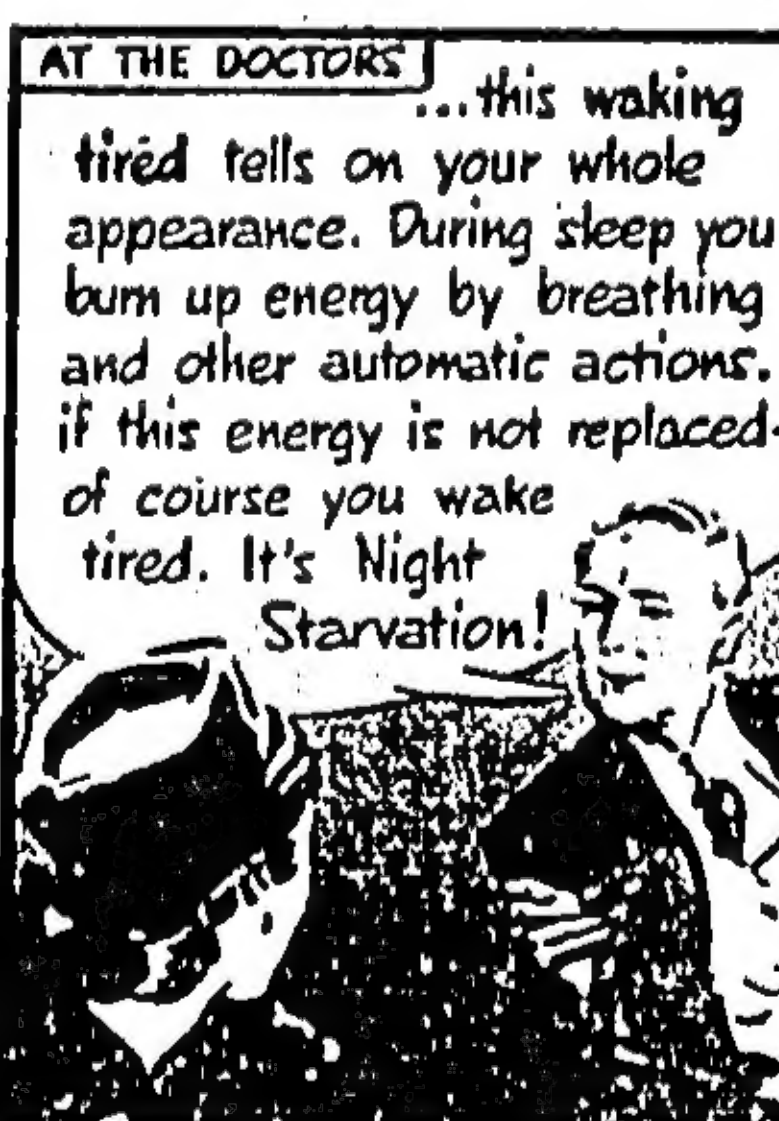
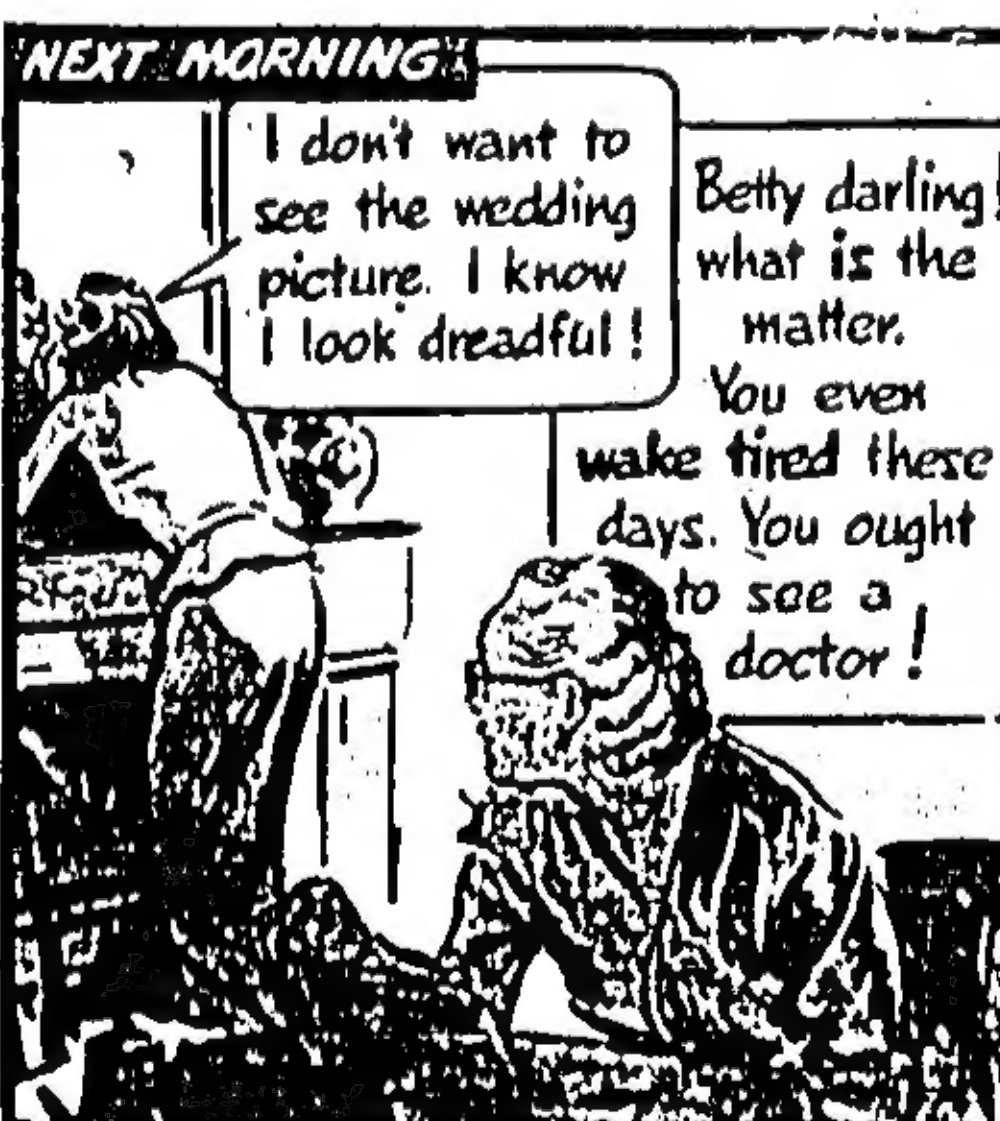
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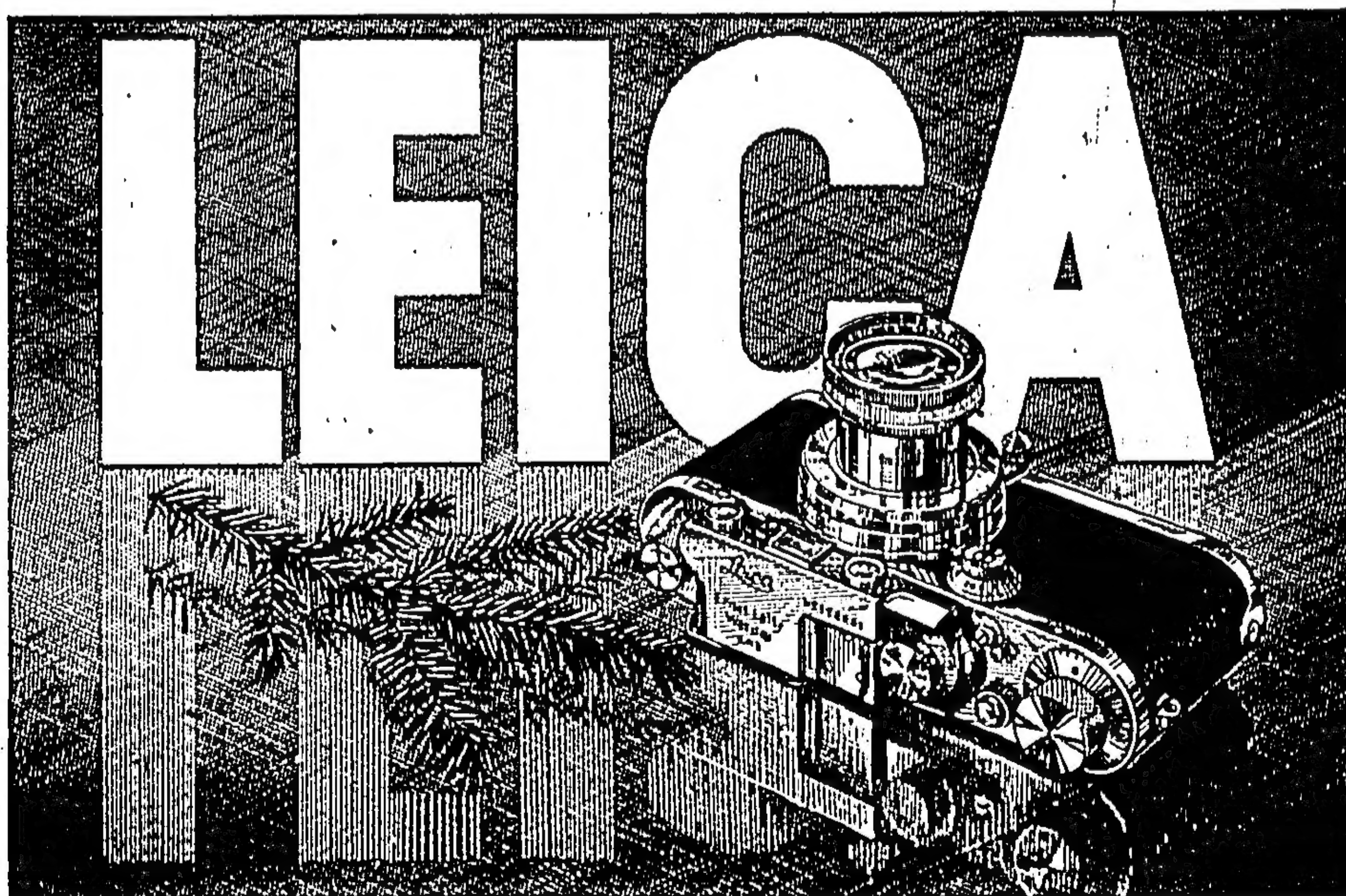
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